



Legislation Text

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BACKGROUND:

The purpose of this ordinance is to authorize the appropriation of \$150,000.00 to the Department of Public Safety to purchase materials and supplies in support of Public Safety Week 2024 activities, and to authorize an appropriation and transfer within the general fund.

Public Safety Week 2024 consists of events that provide training, community conversations, the distribution of safety resources, and a day dedicated to service to foster relationships between residents and public safety officials and improve the safety and well-being of Columbus. It will also address the diverse public safety needs of communities and connect constituents with resources and programming related to affordable, accessible, and high-quality Public Safety services and tools. This second Public Safety Week is being held in the Linden neighborhood and runs from Sunday, June 23 to Saturday, June 29.

This funding will provide materials and supplies for various activities and initiatives throughout Public Safety Week, including the following:

- CPR and AED training supplies for community members
- Home and vehicle safety supplies
- Food & non-alcoholic beverages for volunteers and neighborhood residents

Council is appropriating \$150,000.00 toward supporting the events and activities that will allow the continuation of Public Safety Week. Reasonable food and non-alcoholic beverage expenses are approved via this ordinance and are capped at \$25.00 per person.

FISCAL IMPACT: Total appropriation is \$150,000.00 and is available in the 2024 budget.

EMERGENCY DESIGNATION: Emergency action is requested to allow purchases to be made in time to be distributed for Public Safety Week in late June.

To authorize an appropriation of \$150,000.00 to the Department of Public Safety within the Public Safety Initiatives subfund to purchase materials and supplies for Public Safety Week 2024 activities; to authorize an appropriation and transfer of \$400,000.00 within the General Fund; to authorize payment for reasonable food and non-alcoholic beverages for Public Safety Week participants; and to declare an emergency. (\$150,000.00)

WHEREAS, Public Safety Week 2024 consists of events that provide training, community conversations, the distribution of safety resources, and a day dedicated to service to foster relationships between residents and public safety officials and improve the safety and well-being of Columbus; and,

WHEREAS, it will also address the diverse public safety needs of communities and connect constituents with resources

and programming related to affordable, accessible, and high-quality Public Safety services and tools; and,

WHEREAS, reasonable food & non-alcoholic beverages for these events will serve the public purpose of improving lives by encouraging attendance at safety events, the total budgeted amount for which will not exceed \$25.00 per person; and,

WHEREAS, Public Safety Week 2024 is being held in the Linden neighborhood and runs from Sunday, June 23 to Saturday, June 29; and,

WHEREAS, the total appropriation for Public Safety Week 2024 is \$150,000.00 and is available in the 2024 budget; and,

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of City Council, in that it is immediately necessary to appropriate funding to the Department of Public Safety so that materials, supplies, and reasonable food and non-alcoholic beverages can be purchased in time for the Public Safety Week activities, for the immediate preservation of the public peace, property, health, and safety; **NOW, THEREFORE**,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS:

SECTION 1. That \$400,000.00 is hereby appropriated within the Neighborhood Initiatives subfund, fund 1000, subfund 100018, per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

SECTION 2. That the Auditor is hereby authorized and directed to transfer \$400,000.00 from the Neighborhood Initiatives subfund, fund 1000, subfund 100018 to the Public Safety Initiatives subfund, fund 1000, subfund 100016, per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

SECTION 3. That the Auditor is hereby authorized and directed to appropriate \$150,000.00 to the Department of Public Safety within the Public Safety Initiatives subfund, fund 1000, subfund 100016, in 02-Supplies, for the purchase of CPR and AED training supplies for community members, home and vehicle safety materials and supplies, and reasonable food and non-alcoholic beverage expenses, in support of Public Safety Week 2024 per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

SECTION 4. That the monies appropriated in the foregoing Section 1 shall be paid upon the order of the Director of the Department of Public Safety and that no order shall be drawn or money paid except upon voucher, the form of which shall be approved by the City Auditor.

SECTION 5. That the funds necessary to carry out the purpose of this ordinance are hereby deemed appropriated, and the City Auditor shall establish such accounting codes as necessary.

SECTION 6. That the Council hereby finds the expenditure of funds for the purchase of reasonable food and non-alcoholic beverages for these events to serve a proper public purpose by improving lives through encouraging attendance at safety events, the total budgeted amount for which shall not exceed \$25.00 per person

SECTION 7. That for reasons stated in the preamble hereto, which is hereby made a part hereof, this ordinance is declared to be an emergency measure and shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval by the Mayor, or ten days after passage if the Mayor neither approves nor vetoes the same.