



City of Columbus

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Legislation Text

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The City of Columbus has been awarded a Federal Fiscal Year 2007 Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Award from the Bureau of Justice Assistance, Office of Justice Programs via the Franklin County Office of Homeland Security and Justice Programs. The JAG program provides funding to allow states and local governments to support a broad range of activities to prevent and control crime and improve the criminal justice system. The City has been awarded \$225,000.00 under the purpose area of technology improvements for updates, maintenance and service to the Division of Police Records Management System, Net RMS. The activities and expenditures are needed to make the system as efficient and effective as possible for both internal users and public access functions. The City must act as subgrantee to the Franklin County Office of Homeland Security and Justice Programs. Therefore, the Mayor is required to sign a subgrantee award on behalf of the City. The official City program contact authorized to act in connection with this grant is Technical Services Bureau Lt. Ramona Patts.

Emergency Designation: Emergency legislation is necessary to meet the grant application deadline and to make the funds available to renew contracts that are expiring now.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact for the City General Fund Account. All appropriated funds will be reimbursed by the grant award.

To authorize and direct the Mayor of the City of Columbus to accept a subgrantee award through the FY07 Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) program from the Bureau of Justice Assistance, Office of Justice Programs via the Franklin County Office of Homeland Security and Justice Programs, to authorize Lt. Ramona Patts as the official City representative to act in connection with the subgrant, to authorize an appropriation of \$225,000.00 from the unappropriated balance of the General Government Grant Fund to the Division of Police to cover the costs of the FY07 Justice Assistance Grant project, and to declare an emergency. (\$225,000.00)

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WHEREAS, the City of Columbus Division of Police has been awarded funding through the FY07 Justice Assistance Grant program for technology improvement projects for the Division of Police Records Management System, Net RMS; and

WHEREAS, Lt. Ramona Patts has been identified as the official City representative to act in connection with the FY07 Justice Assistance Grant and to provide information as required; and

WHEREAS, updates, maintenance and service to the Division of Police Records Management System, Net RMS, will support a broad range of activities to prevent and control crime and improve the criminal justice system; and

WHEREAS, emergency legislation is needed to meet the grant application deadline and to make grant funds available for contracts that are expiring December 31, 2007; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual and daily operation of the Division of Police, Department of Public Safety, in that it is immediately necessary to accept and appropriate the FY07 Justice Assistance Grant award for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, safety and welfare, now therefore

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

SECTION 1. That the Mayor of the City of Columbus be and is hereby authorized and directed to accept a FY07 Justice Assistance Grant for technology updates for the Columbus Division of Police.

SECTION 2. That Lt. Ramona Patts is designated as the official City program contact and authorized to act in connection with the FY07 Justice Assistance Grant and to provide information as required.

SECTION 3. That the sum of \$225,000.00 be and hereby is appropriated from the unappropriated balance of Fund 220, the General Government Grant Fund, and from all monies estimated to come into said fund from any and all sources and unappropriated for any other purpose during the subgrant award period to Department 30-03, Public Safety, Police, as follows:

Obj Lv #1	Obj Lv #3	Amount
03	3372	\$225,000.00

SECTION 4. That the City Auditor shall establish accounting codes as necessary.

SECTION 5. That the monies in the foregoing Section 3 shall be paid upon order of the Director of Public Safety; and that no order shall be drawn or money paid except by voucher, the form of which shall be approved by the City Auditor.

SECTION 6. That for reasons stated in the preamble hereto, which is hereby made a part hereof, this ordinance is hereby 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.