

Legislation Text

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Background

This ordinance will authorizes the Director of Recreation and Parks to enter into a grant agreement with the following non -profit organization: LifeCare Alliance, to administer the Senior Farmer's Market Nutrition Program and distribute vouchers for the period April 1, 2023, through November 30, 2023.

This program will provide vouchers for seniors to redeem with local organized markets, including the North Market, in various Central Ohio counties. Approximately 5,100 individuals are expected to receive vouchers.

EMERGENCY DESIGNATION:

Emergency action is requested so that the program can be implemented by April 1, 2023, in accordance with grant conditions.

This ordinance is contingent upon the passage of the appropriation ordinance 0702-2023.

Principal Parties: LifeCare Alliance Charles W. Gehring, President/CEO 1699 West Mound Street Columbus, Ohio 43223 (614) 278 3141; FAX (614) 278 3143 FID #31 4379494 (NPO)

FISCAL IMPACT

This legislation authorizes the appropriation and expenditure of \$196,332.00 from the Recreation and Parks Grant fund for the initial award, with any additional grant awards received up to \$50,000.00 to total \$246,332.00.

A total of \$246,081.00 and \$242,000.00 were paid to LifeCare Alliance in 2021 and 2022, respectively, for the Senior Farmer's Market Nutrition Program, bringing the aggregate amount for the three years to \$684,413.00.

To authorize and direct the Director of Recreation and Parks to execute a grant agreement with LifeCare Alliance for the Senior Farmer's Market Nutrition Program; to authorize the expenditure of up to \$196,332.00 from the Recreation and Parks Grant Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$196,332.00)

WHEREAS, federal and state funding for the Senior Farmer's Market Nutrition Program was awarded to the Central

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Ohio Area Agency on Aging from the Ohio Department of Aging; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to authorize the Director of Recreation and Parks to enter into a grant agreement with LifeCare Alliance for the program; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to authorize the Director of Recreation and Parks to issue an advanced payment to LifeCare Alliance to support the timely administration of the Senior Farmer's Market Nutrition program as outlined by the terms of the grant agreement.

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Recreation and Parks Department in that it is immediately necessary to authorize the Director to enter into said agreement as services need to be implemented by April 1, 2023, thereby preserving the public health, peace, property, safety, and welfare; **NOW, THEREFORE**

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

SECTION 1. That the Director of Recreation and Parks be, and is hereby, authorized to enter into a grant agreement in the sum of \$196,332.00, with up to an additional \$50,000.00 available, for a total amount of up to \$246,332.00, with LifeCare Alliance for the Senior Farmer's Market Nutrition Program for the period April 1, 2023 through November 30, 2023.

SECTION 2. That the Director of Recreation and Parks be, and is hereby authorized, to issue an advanced payment to LifeCare Alliance to support the timely administration of this program.

SECTION 3. That the expenditure of \$196,332.00 or so much thereof as may be necessary, be and is hereby authorized from Recreation and Parks Grant Fund No. 2286, Department No. 51, to pay the cost thereof, per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

SECTION 4. 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 5. That the City Auditor is authorized to make any accounting changes to revise the funding source for all agreements or agreement modifications associated with this legislation.

SECTION 6. That, for the 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.