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Legislation Text

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BACKGROUND: This legislation authorizes the Director of the Department of Development to appropriate Emergency Shelter Grant (ESG) funds in the amount of \$283,037, received from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), for the provision of homeless services and to enter into a contract with the Community Shelter Board, Inc. (CSB) for the administration of the City's Emergency Shelter Grant monies. Funds will be used to meet the housing needs identified in the Consolidated Plan submitted to HUD.

The contract will provide \$283,037 from the Emergency Shelter Grant for the purpose of continuing the city's support for homeless emergency shelters. The CSB will disburse the funds to various providers of services to homeless individuals and families, and will monitor those provider activities. The CSB has been selected because of their history with the city and the homeless service community in the coordination of emergency shelter services, as well as, the CSB's established administrative procedures to effectively and efficiently implement such services.

Emergency action is necessary to allow program services to continue without interruption.

FISCAL IMPACT: Funding of this legislation is from an Emergency Shelter Grant received from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. The City also provides funding to the Community Shelter Board from the General Fund and Community Development Block Grant budgets.

To authorize the appropriation of \$283,037.00 from the General Government Grant Fund to the Department of Development; to authorize the Director of the Department of Development to enter into contract with the Community Shelter Board for the purpose of continuing the city's support for homeless emergency shelters; to authorize the expenditure of \$283,037.00 from the General Government Grant Fund; and to declare an emergency (\$283,037.00)

WHEREAS, the City has received \$283,037.00 in Emergency Shelter Grant funds from HUD under the Stewart-McKinney Act-Emergency Shelter Grant Program for the provision of support services to the homeless; and

WHEREAS, the Director of the Department of Development desires to enter into a contract with the Community Shelter Board; and

WHEREAS, the City continues to support the Community Shelter Board's work with emergency shelters for homeless individuals and families; and

WHEREAS, these programs have effectively and efficiently enabled our community to help individuals and families who are homeless resolve their housing crisis; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the City in that it is immediately necessary to enter into contract with Community Shelter Board so that necessary services will not be interrupted, all for the preservation of the public health, peace, property, safety and welfare; and **NOW THEREFORE,**

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

Section 1. That from the unappropriated balance of the General Government Grant Fund, Fund 220, Grant 458084 and from all monies estimated to come into said fund from any and all sources and unappropriated for any other purpose

during the year ending December 31, 2011, the sum of \$283,037.00 is hereby appropriated to the Department of Development, Department No. 44-10, Object Level One 03, Object Level Three 3337, OCA Code 458088.

Section 2. That the Director of the Department of Development is hereby authorized to contract with the Community Shelter Board for the purpose of continuing the City's support for emergency shelters for homeless individuals and families.

Section 3. That this contract is awarded pursuant to Section 329.15 of the Columbus City Codes, 1959, as amended.

Section 4. That for the purpose as stated in Section 2, the expenditure of \$283,037.00 or so much thereof as may be necessary and be and is hereby authorized to be expended from the General Government Grant Fund, Fund 220, Grant 458084, Department of Development, Department No. 44-10, Object Level One 03, Object Level Three 3337, OCA Code 458088.

Section 5. That for the reasons stated in the preamble hereto, which 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.