



Legislation Text

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Explanation

BACKGROUND:

This ordinance will authorize the Director of Recreation and Parks to establish a purchase order with the Columbus Museum of Art in the amount of \$2,500,000 for the administration of the construction of improvements to the Museum. Section III of the existing grant agreement addresses future grant funds as being automatically a part of the original grant agreement upon passage of an ordinance authorizing the new funds.

2014 funding from the City of Columbus will be used for site work on the Washington Plaza and the Sculpture Garden, as part of the third and final phase of the Museum's multi-year expansion and renovation project. The Washington Plaza will be the new public entryway on the north and east side of the Museum's new wing. The Plaza is bordered by Washington and Gay streets and links the public parking lot and the new entrance to the Museum. The Sculpture Garden, located on the north side of the site, will be 17,000 square feet of green space, free to all and open during the Museum hours. It is accessible from the Washington Plaza entry or from inside the Museum. The Garden will have areas for sitting, dining, relaxing and special events.

Principal Parties:

The Columbus Museum of Art
Contract Compliance # is 31-4379447.

Emergency Justification:

Emergency action is necessary to allow the Columbus Museum of Art to begin work as soon as possible as plans for the garden are moving forward.

Fiscal Impact:

The expenditure of \$2,500,000.00 is budgeted in the 2014 Recreation and Parks Voted Bond Fund. This ordinance is contingent upon the 2014 Bond Sale.

To authorize the Director of Recreation and Parks to make payment to the Columbus Museum of Art as part of existing grant agreement; to authorize the expenditure of \$2,500,000.00 from the Recreation and Parks Voted Bond Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$2,500,000.00)

WHEREAS, it is necessary to make payment to the Columbus Museum of Art for the construction of improvements to the Project Area as part of the existing grant agreement; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Recreation and Parks Department in that it is immediately necessary to grant said funds so that the Columbus Museum of Art can maintain the schedule of items that need to be completed this construction season for the sculpture garden; **NOW, THEREFORE**

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

SECTION 1. That the Director of Recreation and Parks be and he is hereby authorized and directed to make payment to the Columbus Museum of Art per the existing grant agreement for the construction of improvements to the Project Area.

SECTION 2. That the expenditure of \$2,500,000.00 or so much thereof as may be necessary, be and is hereby authorized from the voted Recreation and Parks Bond Fund 702, Dept. 51-01 as follows:

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SECTION 3. That the City Auditor is hereby authorized to transfer the unencumbered balance in a project account to the unallocated balance account within the same fund upon receipt of certification by the Director of the Department administering said project that the project has been completed and the monies are no longer required for said project; except that no transfer shall be so made from a project account funded by monies from more than one source.

SECTION 4. That the monies in the foregoing Section 3 shall be paid upon order of the Director of Recreation and Parks, and that no order shall be drawn or monies paid except by voucher, the form of which shall be approved by the City Auditor.

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

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 10 days after passage if the Mayor neither approves nor vetoes the same.