



Legislation Text

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BACKGROUND: The Columbus Health Department has been awarded a grant from the Ohio Department of Health. This ordinance is needed to accept and appropriate \$4,923,565 to fund the Women, Infants and Children grant program, for the period October 1, 2007 through September 30, 2008.

The primary objective of the Women, Infants and Children (WIC) program is to provide nutritionally desirable food and nutrition education to pregnant and lactating women as well as infants and children at nutritional risk in Franklin County who meet categorical, income and nutritional risk requirements for eligibility.

This ordinance is submitted as an emergency so as to allow the financial transaction to be posted in the City's accounting system as soon as possible. Up to date financial posting promotes accurate accounting and financial management.

FISCAL IMPACT: The Women, Infants and Children Program is entirely funded by the Ohio Department of Health. This program does not generate any revenue or require a City match.

To authorize and direct the Board of Health to accept this grant from the Ohio Department of Health in the amount of \$4,923,565; to authorize the appropriation of \$4,923,565 from the unappropriated balance of the Health Department Grants Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$4,923,565)

WHEREAS, \$4,923,565 in grant funds have been made available through the Ohio Department of Health for the Women, Infants and Children program for the period of October 1, 2007 through September 30, 2008; and,

WHEREAS, it is necessary to accept and appropriate these funds from the Ohio Department of Health for the continued support of the WIC program; and,

WHEREAS, this ordinance is submitted as an emergency so as to allow the financial transaction to be posted in the City's accounting system as soon as possible. Up to date financial posting promotes accurate accounting and financial management; and,

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Health Department in that it is immediately necessary to accept these grant funds from the Ohio Department of Health and to appropriate these funds to the Health Department for the immediate preservation of the public health, peace, property, safety and welfare; Now, therefore,

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

SECTION 1. That the Board of Health is hereby authorized and directed to accept a grant award totaling \$4,923,565 from the Ohio Department of Health for the Women, Infants and Children program for the period October 1, 2007 through September 30, 2008.

SECTION 2. That from the unappropriated monies in the Health Department Grants Fund, Fund No. 251, and from all monies estimated to come into said Fund from any and all sources during the twelve months ending September 30, 2008, the sum of \$4,923,565 is hereby appropriated to the Health Department, Division No. 50, as follows:

OCA: 507116; Grant No.: 507116; OL1:01; Amount: \$4,096,315

OCA: 507116; Grant No.: 507116; OL1:02; Amount: \$ 35,881

OCA: 507116; Grant No.: 507116; OL1:03; Amount: \$ 791,369

Total for Grant No. 507116: \$4,923,565

SECTION 3. That the monies appropriated in the foregoing Section 2 shall be paid upon the order of the Health Commissioner 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 4. 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.