



Legislation Text

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BACKGROUND: This ordinance authorizes the appropriation and expenditure of up to \$50,000.00 of the 2023 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) entitlement grant from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and to authorize the Director of the Department of Development to enter into a Subrecipient Agreement - Not for Profit Service Contract with Rebuilding Together Central Ohio, dba Modcon Living, in an amount up to \$50,000.00 to administer the CHORES program.

The department advertised a request for proposal for the CHORES Program on Vendor Services (RFQ023699) and Bonfire from 1/10/2023-2/6/2023. Two proposals were received and both were responsive. The organizations are: Epiphany Consulting LLC and Rebuilding Together Central Ohio dba Modcon Living.

The mission of the Department of Development's Homeowner Services Center's home repair program, of which CHORES is a part of, is: "assisting individuals and families to remain in their homes and live independently in a safe and sound environment." The CHORES Program will provide the finances necessary to enable low and moderate-income senior and disabled homeowners to remain in their homes by providing basic home maintenance and minor repair services at no charge to the homeowner.

These services are being contracted out as the department does not have the resources to manage this program internally.

The department anticipates modifying this agreement for the remainder of the city's Draft FY 2023 Annual Action Plan with HUD. Based upon mutual agreement, the department would submit legislation to modify the agreement to add additional funds for program year 2024.

This legislation represents appropriation for a part of the CDBG portion of the Draft FY 2023 Annual Action Plan, per Ordinance 3353-2022.

Emergency action is requested because there is an immediate need to service the many senior, disabled, low and moderate income homeowners, whose homes require basic home maintenance and minor repairs and provide for the timely expenditure of funds to satisfy HUD.

Contract Compliance: the vendor number is 005045 and expires 12/6/2024.

Fiscal Impact: \$50,000.00 is available from the 2023 CDBG grant.

To authorize the appropriation and expenditure of up to \$50,000.00 of 2023 Community Development Block grant from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development; to authorize the Director of the Department of Development to enter into a Subrecipient Agreement - Not for Profit Service Contract with Rebuilding Together Central Ohio, dba Modcon Living, in an amount up to \$50,000.00, to administer the CHORES program; and to declare an emergency. (\$50,000.00). **(REPEALED BY ORD. 2234-2023 PASSED 9/11/2023) BA**

WHEREAS, the City of Columbus is a participating jurisdiction of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development; and

WHEREAS, the City of Columbus is the recipient of Community Development Block Grant funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development; and

WHEREAS, the Columbus City Council has approved the Draft FY 2023 Annual Action Plan, per Ordinance 3353-2022, as required

by HUD; and

WHEREAS, the department advertised a request for proposal for the CHORES Program on Vendor (RFQ023699) from 1/10/2023-2/6/2023. Two proposals were received and both were responsive; and

WHEREAS, the Director of the Department of Development wishes to enter into a Subrecipient Agreement - Not for Profit Service Contract with Rebuilding Together Central Ohio dba Modcon Living in an amount up to \$50,000.00 to administer the CHORES program; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Development in that it is immediately necessary to appropriate and expend said funds because there is an immediate need to service the many senior, disabled, low and moderate income homeowners, whose homes require basic home maintenance and minor repairs and provide for the timely expenditure of funds to satisfy HUD, thereby preserving 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 monies and from all monies estimated to come into said fund from any and all sources and unappropriated for any other purpose during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2023, the sum of \$50,000.00 is appropriated in Fund 2248 (CDBG), from Dept-Div 44-10 (Housing), object class 03 (Services) per the account codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

SECTION 2. That the expenditure of \$50,000.00 or so much thereof as may be needed, is hereby authorized in Fund 2248 (CDBG), Dept-Div 4410 (Housing), object class 03 (Services) per the account codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

SECTION 3. That the Director of Development is hereby authorized to enter into a Subrecipient Agreement - Not for Profit Service Contract with Rebuilding Together Central Ohio, dba Modcon Living, in an amount up to \$50,000.00 to administer the CHORES program.

SECTION 4: That this Subrecipient Agreement is as a Not-for-Profit Service Contract under Columbus City Code Section 329.30.

SECTION 5. Funds are hereby deemed appropriated and expenditures and transfers authorized to carry out the purposes of this ordinance and the City Auditor shall establish such accounting codes as necessary.

SECTION 6. That the City Auditor is authorized to make any accounting changes to revise the funding source for all contracts or contract modifications associated with this ordinance.

SECTION 7. At the end of the grant period, any repayment of unencumbered balances required by the grantor is hereby authorized and any unused City match monies may be transferred back to the City fund from which they originated in accordance with all applicable grant agreements.

SECTION 8. 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 approval by the Mayor, or ten days after passage if the Mayor neither approves nor vetoes the same.