

City of Columbus

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Legislation Text

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BACKGROUND: The Department of Public Safety has been awarded additional grant funds for the Division of Police to complete the Teens and Police Service Partners (TAPS) Academy. The Division of Police was originally awarded \$97,952.00 of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Grant Funds by the Ohio Department of Youth Services in June 2013 to establish the TAPS Academy. The TAPS program is for at-risk juveniles between 12 to 15 years old who have been arrested and have shown a propensity of making bad decisions. These youths will receive intensive mentoring by Police Officers trained in the TAPS Academy curriculum developed by the Houston Police Department. These grant funds in the amount of \$18,879.00 will allow the Academy to complete the final five weeks of the Program curriculum. This legislation authorizes the City of Columbus to accept and appropriate these additional funds for the TAPS Academy for the period ending May 31, 2015. As the Local Criminal Justice Coordinating Council for Franklin County, the Franklin County office of Homeland Security and Justice Programs shall be responsible for monitoring compliance with the terms of the award agreement.

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 and allow the TAPS program to continue without interruption.

FISCAL IMPACT: This ordinance authorizes the appropriation of an additional \$18,879.00 within the General Government Grant Fund in an agreement with Franklin County Commissioners to provide funds to complete the cost of running the TAPS Academy by the Division of Police. The original grant amount of \$97,952.00 was appropriated in ordinance 1400-2013.

To authorize and direct the Mayor of the City of Columbus to accept supplemental grant funds from the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Subgrant Award issued by the Ohio Department of Youth Services to fund a mentorship program run by the Division of Police; to authorize the appropriation of \$18,879.00 from the unappropriated balance of the General Government Grant Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$18,879.00)

WHEREAS, \$18,879.00 in additional grant funds have been made available as part of a Block Grant issued by the Ohio Department of Youth Services to cover additional expenses needed to complete the TAPS Academy for the period ending May 31, 2015; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to accept and appropriate these funds from the Ohio Department of Youth Services for the continued support of the TAPS Academy run by the Columbus Division of Police; and

WHEREAS, the Franklin County Office of Homeland Security and Justice Programs shall be responsible for monitoring compliance to the award agreement; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Public Safety in that it is immediately necessary to accept these grant funds from the Ohio Department of Youth Services and to appropriate these funds to the General Government Grant Funds in order to continue the TAPS Academy without interruption 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:

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SECTION 1. That Mayor of the City of Columbus is hereby authorized and directed to accept supplement grant funds from the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Subgrant award issued by the Ohio Department of Youth Services for the TAPS Academy for the period January 1, 2015 through May 31, 2015.

SECTION 2. That from the unappropriated monies in the General Government Grant Fund and from all monies estimated to come into said fund from any and all sources and unappropriated for any other purpose during the project period, the sum of \$18,879.00 is appropriated upon receipt of executed grant agreement as follows:

Division 3003|**Fund** 220|**Obj. Level One** 01|**Object Level Three** 1131|**OCA**: 331306|**Grant No**.331306|**Amount**: \$18,879.00

SECTION 3. That the monies appropriated in the foregoing Section 2 shall be paid upon the order of the Director of the Department of Public Safety 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 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 5. 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 6. 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.