

City of Columbus

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Legislation Text

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BACKGROUND:

This ordinance authorizes the Franklin County Municipal Court Judges to engage in the first year of a potential three year contract of a foreign language services in the Municipal Court building at 375 S. High St. with Community Refugee and Immigration Services, Inc. (CRIS). Formal bid SA003341was done and closed on April 26, 2009. Routine, immediate and emergency service hour rate is \$33.00.

The court is going to also going to contract with Access 2 Interpreters, LLC and Asist Translation Services, Inc. CRIS will be the primary, followed by Access 2 Interpreters and then Asist Translation Services. This decision was based on hourly rates.

CONTRACT COMPLIANCE NUMBER: CRIS 31-1674893

FISCAL IMPACT: Funds for this contract are budgeted and available within the Municipal Court 2010 general fund appropriations. Thus far during 2010, the Court has expended \$90,431.50.

EMERGENCY: This ordinance is submitted as an emergency to continue uninterrupted services from the existing vendor to the new vendor.

To authorize the Administrative and Presiding Judge of the Franklin County Municipal Court to enter into the first year of a potential three year contract with CRIS for language interpreter services for the Franklin County Municipal Court; to authorize the expenditure of an amount not to exceed \$40,000.00 from the general fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$40,000.00)

WHEREAS, it is necessary that the Franklin County Municipal Court provide foreign language interpreter services for non-English speaking persons that may come before the Court; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to enter into contract with CRIS to provide translation services so that the Court may continue to provide language interpreter services without interruption; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the city, in that it is immediately necessary to authorize the Administrative and Presiding Judge of the Franklin County Municipal Court to enter into contract and authorize the expenditure with CRIS for provision of foreign language interpreter services, thereby preserving 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 Administrative and Presiding Judge of the Franklin County Municipal Court be and is hereby authorized to enter into contract with CRIS for foreign language interpreter services to the Franklin County Municipal Court for the period ending September 30, 2011.

Section 2. That the expenditure of \$40,000.00, or as much thereof as may be necessary is hereby authorized from the Franklin County Municipal Court, department number 2501, general fund, fund number 010, oca 250191, object level 1 - 03, object level 3 - 3445.

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Section 3. 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 ten days after passage if the Mayor neither approves nor vetoes the same.