

Legislation Text

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This ordinance authorizes the Mayor of the City of Columbus to accept a Memorandum of Understanding and Interlocal Agreement between the City of Columbus and Franklin County, as is required by the U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance, prior to receiving the FY 2009 Byrne Justice Assistance (JAG) Grant. The Franklin County Office of Homeland Security and Justice Programs will act as the required sole applicant, administrator, and fiscal agent for the grant.

Under the application for the JAG Program, funds will be allocated between Franklin County and various municipalities including the City of Columbus. The City of Columbus will receive, in the form of reimbursement, \$460,447.00 from the County for the FY 2009 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant award.

The City and the County agree on this allocation and that a supplemental agreement will be entered into by the parties, which will more fully outline the use of the funds as well as criteria that will be required in order to receive a reimbursement of expenses, which will not exceed allocation.

The city's allocation of the Grant funds will include funding for civilian personnel, canines, DNA supplies, computer software and safety equipment.

Emergency Designation: Emergency legislation is necessary to receive proceeds of the award in the shortest possible time.

FISCAL IMPACT: The total grant funds of \$460,447.00 will be appropriated at a future date to properly align appropriations with intended expenditure line items. There are no matching funds required for this grant.

To accept the Memorandum of Understanding and Interlocal Agreement executed between representatives of the City of Columbus and Franklin County as required by the U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance prior to receiving the FY2009 Byrne Justice Assistance (JAG) Grant; and to declare an emergency. (\$460,447.00)

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance has awarded a FY 2009 Byrne Justice Assistance (JAG) Grant jointly to the City of Columbus and Franklin County in the amount of \$460,447.00; and

WHEREAS, representatives of the City of Columbus and Franklin County have entered into a Memorandum of Understanding and Interlocal Agreement, a copy of which is attached hereto, to meet the federal requirement prior to receiving the FY2009 Byrne Justice Assistance Grant; and

WHEREAS, the Franklin County Office of Homeland Security and Justice Programs will act as the required sole applicant, administrator, and fiscal agent for the grant.

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual and daily operation of the Division of Police, Department of Public Safety, in that it is immediately necessary to accept the Memorandum of Understanding and Interlocal Agreement for the FY 2009 Byrne and receive proceeds of the award in the shortest possible time for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, property, safety and welfare, now, therefore

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

SECTION 1. That the Mayor and City Council, in the best interests of the City, hereby recognize and accept the Memorandum of Understanding and Interlocal Agreement for the FY 2009 Byrne Justice Assistance Grant (JAG), a copy of which is attached hereto, executed between representatives of the City of Columbus and Franklin County.

SECTION 2. That for reasons stated in the preamble hereto, which is hereby made a part thereof, 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.