

## City of Columbus

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## Legislation Text

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**BACKGROUND**: This legislation authorizes the Director of the Department of Development to modify Contract EL008135 with the Greater Linden Development Corporation by extending the contract period for an additional eight (8) months. The new Time of Agreement will be March 1, 2008 through October 31, 2009. This contract is funded through the Public Safety Initiatives Fund and supports the Linden Crime Prevention Partnership. Unanticipated changes to staff created a delay in the expenditure of funds prior to the original termination date.

The goal of the Partnership is to create a safer and healthier neighborhood environment within the Greater Linden community, while combating negative perceptions (and misperceptions) regarding safety in Linden. Activities and programs of the Partnership include the Blockwatch Alliance, comprised of residents in the area who meet monthly to hear various speakers, provide mutual support and exchange information on crime-related topics; a resident complaint-driven nuisance abatement program, which partners with the Strategic Response Bureau, the Safety Department Narcotics Unit, Code Enforcement and the Health Department; summer-long neighborhood clean-up activities; and National Night Out, an annual celebration of neighborhoods around the city which hosts the Mayor, City Council members, Department officials and community leaders.

This ordinance is presented as an emergency to avoid an interruption of program services.

**FISCAL IMPACT**: No additional funds will be allocated for this contract modification. The Corporation received \$52,000.00 in 2008 from the Public Safety Initiatives Fund as support for the Partnership.

To authorize the Director of the Development Department to modify the Linden Crime Prevention Partnership contract with the Greater Linden Development Corporation by extending the contract period; and to declare an emergency.

WHEREAS, the Director of the Department of Development desires to modify Contract EL008135 with the Greater Linden Development Corporation by extending the contract period; and

WHEREAS, the new Time of Agreement will be March 1, 2008 through October 31, 2009; and

WHEREAS, this contract is funded through the Public Safety Initiatives Fund and supports the Linden Crime Prevention Partnership; and

WHEREAS, unanticipated changes to staff created a delay in the expenditure of funds prior to the ending date; and

WHEREAS, the Partnership has been created to create a safer and healthier neighborhood environment within the Greater Linden community, while combating negative perceptions (and misperceptions) regarding safety in Linden; and

WHEREAS, activities and programs of the Partnership include: the Blockwatch Alliance; a resident complaint-driven nuisance abatement program; summer-long clean up activities; and coordination of National Night Out; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Development in that it is immediately necessary to modify Contract No.EL008135 with the Greater Linden Development Corporation to avoid an interruption of program services; all for the preservation of the public health, peace, property, safety, and welfare; and NOW, THEREFORE,

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

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- **Section 1.** That the Director of the Department of Development be and is hereby authorized to modify Contract No.EL008135 with the Greater Linden Development Corporation by extending the contract period for an additional eight (8) months. The new Time of Agreement will be March 1, 2008 through October 31, 2009.
- **Section 2.** That this contract modification is made pursuant to Section 329.16 of the Columbus Codes.
- **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 (10) days after passage if the Mayor neither approves nor vetoes the same.