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Legislation Text

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BACKGROUND:

This ordinance authorizes the appropriation of \$35,000 within the Franklin County Municipal Court Home Incarceration Program fund and authorizes the Franklin County Municipal Court Administrative and Presiding Judge to expend \$50,000 under a contract with Satellite Tracking of People, LLC. (STOP) for monitoring services associated with the use of their equipment. The STOP devices are non-invasive, tamper-resistant, global positioning devices that track offender location, 24 hours a day. The STOP units offer the Franklin County Municipal Court Judges a viable alternative to incarceration consistent with the defendant's risk to public safety.

This year the service will be used for individuals on home incarceration and work release.

A bid was done on solicitation SA005738, which closed on February 23, 2015, and Satellite Tracking of People, LLC was the lowest bidder of the eight bids received. This is a three-year contract with an optional fourth year.

Satellite Tracking of People, LLC federal tax id is 050583654 and expires 1/23/17.

FISCAL IMPACT: Funds are available within the home incarceration program and probation user fee fund for this purpose.

Emergency legislation is requested to authorize the appropriation of funds, the contract, and the expenditure so monitoring services may continue without interruption.

To authorize the appropriation of \$35,000.00 within the Franklin County Municipal Court Home Incarceration Program fund; to authorize the expenditure of up to \$50,000.00 with Satellite Tracking of People, LLC for the monitoring services of home incarcerated and work release offenders; and to declare an emergency. (\$50,000.00)

WHEREAS, the Franklin County Municipal Court is in need of monitoring services from Satellite Tracking of People, LLC.; and

WHEREAS, this ordinance is requested as an emergency to permit the uninterrupted procurement of needed services; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the city, in that it is immediately necessary to authorize the appropriation, contract and expenditure for monitoring services of home incarcerated offenders with Satellite Tracking of People, LLC. 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 from the unappropriated monies in the special revenue fund known as the home incarceration program fund of the municipal court special projects, fund number 2226, subfund 222603, and from all monies estimated to come into said fund from any and all sources and appropriated for any other purpose during the fiscal year ending December 31, 2016 the sum of \$35,000.00 is appropriated to the Franklin County Municipal Court Judges, see attachment.

SECTION 2. That the monies appropriated in the foregoing Section 2 shall be paid upon order of the Franklin County Municipal Court Judges; and that no order shall be drawn or money paid except by voucher, the form of which shall be approved by the City Auditor.

SECTION 3. That the Administrating and Presiding Judge of the Franklin County Municipal Court be and is hereby authorized to enter into contract with Satellite Tracking of People, LLC. for monitoring services associated with the company's equipment through the period ending March 31, 2017.

SECTION 4. That the expenditure of \$50,000 or as much thereof as may be necessary is hereby authorized from the Franklin County Municipal Court Judges, department number 2501, \$35,000 home incarceration program fund, fund number 2226, subfund 222603 and \$15,000 probation user fee fund, fund 2227, subfund 222703, see attachment.

SECTION 5. That for the reasons stated in the preamble hereto, which is hereby made a part hereof, this ordinance is 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.