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Legislation Text

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BACKGROUND: Columbus Public Health has been awarded a grant from the Ohio Department of Health originating from the Centers for Disease Control.   This ordinance is needed to accept and appropriate $789,335.00 in grant monies to fund the 2017/2018 Public Health Emergency Preparedness Grant Program for the period of July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018.

The Office of Emergency Preparedness writes and maintains the Columbus Public Health Emergency Response Plan. This Plan contains over 50 planning annexes such as infectious disease response and environmental health hazard response, and mitigation plans covering the Columbus and Worthington jurisdictions.

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, given the grant start date of July 1, 2017. Up to date financial posting promotes accurate accounting and financial management.

FISCAL IMPACT: The program is funded by the Ohio Department of Health and does not generate revenue.   The program does require ancillary mileage monies from the city, which are budgeted and available.

To authorize and direct the Board of Health to accept a grant from the Ohio Department of Health for the Public Health Emergency Preparedness Program in the amount of $789,335.00; to authorize the appropriation of $789,335.00 to the Health Department in the Health Department Grants Fund; and to declare an emergency. ($789,335.00)

WHEREAS, $789,335.00 in grant funds have been made available to the Health Department through the Ohio Department of Health for the Public Health Emergency Preparedness program; and,

WHEREAS, 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 due to the grant begin date of July 1, 2017. Up to date financial posting promotes accurate accounting and financial management; and,

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of Columbus Public Health in that it is immediately necessary to accept this grant from the Ohio Department of Health , and to appropriate these funds to the Health Department 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:

SECTION 1. That the Board of Health is hereby authorized and directed to accept a grant award of $789,335.00 from the Ohio Department of Health for the period July 1, 2017, through June 30, 2018.

SECTION 2. That from the unappropriated monies in the Health Department Grants Fund, Fund No. 2251, and from all monies estimated to come into said Fund from any and all sources for the period ending June 30, 2018, the sum of

$789,335.00 and any eligible interest earned during the grant period is hereby appropriated to the Health Department Grants Fund per accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

SECTION 3. That the monies appropriated in the foregoing Section 2 shall be paid upon the order of the Health Commissioner, 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 4. 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 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.