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Legislation Text

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This ordinance authorizes an appropriation in the amount of \$30,000.00 in order to provide additional funding for the African American Cultural Festival.

Background: The Columbus Recreation and Parks Department, with support from the Department of Neighborhoods will present the third annual African-American Cultural Festival Friday, August 23 and Saturday, August 24, 2019.

Hosted in the heart of the Historic Bronzeville District, a variety of live music, spoken word and dance performances highlight the third annual African-American Cultural Festival. Visual artists, a kids' fun zone and more will help round out the day. Admission to this event is free.

Now in the third year, the event is being expanded from a one day, eight-hour event to a two day fourteen hour event and additional resources are needed to facilitate the expansion and to accommodate community requests. Additional funds will allow for enhanced programming (3 stages), additional cultural experiences (Bronzeville neighborhood tours) and extended operating hours (ending at 9pm both days).

Fiscal Impact: Funding is available within the Recreation and Parks operating fund.

Emergency action is requested in order to avoid any delay in the ongoing efforts for implementation of the 2019 event.

To authorize the Director of Recreation and Parks to provide funding for additional support of the African American Cultural Festival 2019; to authorize an appropriation of \$30,000.00 within the Recreation and Parks operating fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$30,000.00)

WHEREAS, it is necessary to authorize and direct the Director of Recreation and Parks to provide funding for additional support of the African American Cultural Festival 2019; and

WHEREAS, the Columbus Recreation and Parks Department, with support from the Department of Neighborhoods, present the third annual African-American Cultural Festival Friday, August 23 and Saturday, August 24, 2019; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily business of the Department of Recreation and Parks in that it is immediately necessary appropriate additional funding in order to avoid any delay in the procurement of service needs for the 2019 event; now, therefore,

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

SECTION 1. That the Director of Recreation and Parks is hereby authorized to provide funding for additional support of the African American Cultural Festival 2019.

SECTION 2. That the City Auditor is hereby authorized and directed to appropriate \$30,000.00 in the Recreation and Parks operating fund, fund 2285, to the Department of Recreation and Parks per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

SECTION 3. 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 4. That the City Auditor is authorized to make any accounting changes to revise the funding source for all contracts or contract modifications associated with this legislation.

SECTION 5. 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.