



Legislation Text

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BACKGROUND: This legislation authorizes the Director of the Department of Development to enter into a beneficiary grant agreement with The Young Men’s Christian Association of Central Ohio (YMCA of Central Ohio) in the amount of \$155,735.83, and to authorize expenditures incurred prior to the execution of the purchase order, and for the agreement to allow for expenses from August 1, 2021 through January 31, 2022.

Ordinance 2920-2021, approved November 15, 2021, authorized the Director of Development to enter into a grant agreement with YMCA of Central Ohio in an amount up to \$531,693.00 using federal American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds. Ordinance 0769-2022, approved April 4, 2022, authorized the modification of a grant in the amount of \$1,070,503.00 to YMCA of Central Ohio. YMCA of Central expended \$155,735.83 of ARPA funds outside the terms of its original agreements (PO316033 and PO327722). The funds were expended before the Date of the Purchase Order, although still within the time frame of ARPA Grant guidelines. The original agreement was past the time limit for modifying, therefore YMCA of Central Ohio returned the ARPA funds to the City (\$155,735.83). This ordinance is to authorize a beneficiary agreement with YMCA of Central Ohio using the returned ARPA funds in the amount of \$155,735.83.

FISCAL IMPACT: Funding is provided to the City of Columbus from the American Rescue Plan Act passed by Congress and signed into law March 11, 2021.

CONTRACT COMPLIANCE: the vendor number is 006085 and expires 1/23/2026.

To authorize the Director of the Department of Development to enter into a beneficiary agreement with YMCA of Central Ohio in support of human services programs; to authorize the reimbursement of expenses incurred from August 1, 2021 through January 31, 2022 which is prior to the establishment of the original purchase order; and to authorize the expenditure of up to \$155,735.83 from the 2024 ARPA budget. (\$155,735.83)

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 pandemic has resulted in disproportionate negative economic impacts in communities of color and low-income communities across the nation. These communities are experiencing overwhelming barriers to access basic needs like food, supplies and shelter during the pandemic; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance 2920-2021, approved November 15, 2021, authorized a grant in the amount of \$531,693.00 to YMCA of Central Ohio, and Ordinance 0769-2022, approved April 4, 2022, authorized a grant in the amount of \$1,070,503.00 to YMCA of Central Ohio; and

WHEREAS, YMCA of Central Ohio expended \$155,735.83 of ARPA funds outside the terms of its original agreement; and

WHEREAS, the funds were expended before the Date of the Purchase Order, although still within the timeframe of ARPA Grant regulations; and

WHEREAS, YMCA of Central Ohio returned the ARPA funds to the City (\$155,735.83); and

WHEREAS, the Department is returning to Council for approval to establish a beneficiary grant agreement in the amount of \$155,735.83 to allow for expenses from August 1, 2021 through January 31, 2022; **NOW, THEREFORE**,

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

SECTION 1. To authorize the Director of Development to enter into a beneficiary grant agreement with YMCA of Central Ohio in an amount up to \$155,735.83 utilizing ARPA funding, and to authorize reimbursement of expenses incurred August 1, 2021 through January 31, 2022.

SECTION 2. That the expenditure of \$155,735.83 or so much thereof as may be needed is hereby authorized in Fund 2209 (ARPA), Dept-Div 44-01 (Administration), in object class 05 (Other) per the account 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 ordinance.

SECTION 5. That this ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.