



Legislation Text

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BACKGROUND: The Capital Crossroads Special Improvement District (SID), a non-profit organization, has executed three, five year plans, since 2002, for the provision of cleaning, safety, marketing, and beautification and advocacy services in the core area of downtown Columbus. The Capital Crossroad Special Improvement District started a fourth, five year plan on January 1, 2017. The current Plan for Services will run through December 31, 2021. As part of the Plan for Services in 2012, the Development Department committed to providing a cooperative share of \$100,000 per year to the Capital Crossroad Special Improvement District and the City of Columbus committed to providing an additional \$90,000 for a business recruitment specialist to attract new retail businesses to downtown Columbus.

The City cooperative share will be combined with the property owners share to provide services within the SID boundaries. These services include: Environmental Maintenance, Supplemental Security, Promotions and Marketing, Member Services and Business Recruitment.

This legislation authorizes the Director of the Development Department to enter into an agreement with the Reauthorized Capital Crossroads SID to provide funding for services within the SID boundaries.

Emergency action is requested to allow the Reauthorized Capital Crossroads Special Improvement District to continue the services provided by the SID without interruption.

FISCAL IMPACT: The funding for this agreement has been allocated from the 2017 General Fund Operating Budget.

To authorize the Director of the Department of Development to enter into an agreement with the Reauthorized Capital Crossroads Special Improvement District of Columbus Inc. to provide funding for services within the SID boundaries per the Plan for Services; to authorize the expenditure of \$190,000.00 from the 2017 General Fund Operating Budget; and to declare an emergency. (\$190,000.00)

WHEREAS, since 2002, Capital Crossroads has executed three, five-year plans for the provision of clean, safety, marketing, beautification, and advocacy services in downtown Columbus; and

WHEREAS, the fourth five year plan started on January 1, 2017 with a current Plan for Services to run through December 31, 2021; and

WHEREAS, as part of the Plan for Services for the Reauthorized Capital Crossroads SID in 2012, the Development Department committed to providing a cooperative share of \$100,000 per year for the five years of the SID; and

WHEREAS, 2012 was the first year of the SID and the City of Columbus committed to providing an additional \$90,000 for a business recruitment specialist to attract new retail businesses to downtown Columbus; and

WHEREAS, the City's cooperative share will be combined with the property owners share to provide services within the SID boundaries. These services include: Environmental Maintenance, Supplemental Security, Promotions and Marketing, Member Services and Business recruitment; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Development in that it is immediately necessary to authorize the Director enter into an agreement with the Reauthorized Capital Crossroads SID in order to continue the services provided without interruption, all for the immediate preservation of the public health, property, safety and welfare; **NOW, THEREFORE**,

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

SECTION 1. That the Director of the Department of Development is hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with the Reauthorized Capital Crossroads Special Improvement District of Columbus, Inc. per the Plan for Services.

SECTION 2. That for the purpose stated in Section 1, the expenditure of \$190,000 or so much thereof as may be needed, is hereby authorized in Fund 1000 General Fund in Object Class 03 Contractual Services per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

SECTION 3. That this contract is awarded in accordance with the relevant provisions of City Code Chapter 329 relating to not-for-profit service contracts.

SECTION 4. 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 5. 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.