



# City of Columbus

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## Legislation Text

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### **BACKGROUND:**

This ordinance authorizes the Franklin County Municipal Court Judges to enter into a one-year contract, subject to four one-year renewal periods with Microgenics Corporation DBA Thermo Fisher Scientific for the rental of a chemistry analyzer.

The chemistry analyzer will be used to process randomized and instant drug testing for defendants and probationers. The Court previously contracted with an outside vendor in an alternate location to perform drug testing. After reviewing the Court's drug testing procedures and needs, the decision was made to move the service into the Courthouse. The court will employ two employees to run the drug testing lab.

Formal bid RFQ026306 was done and closed on December 1, 2023.

Microgenics Corporation DBA Thermo Fisher Scientific federal tax id is 68-0418167.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** Funds for this contract are budgeted and available within the Municipal Court 2024 Specialized Docket and Probation User Fee Funds.

**EMERGENCY:** Emergency legislation is requested to authorize the court to enter into a contract and to begin service at a date that will coincide with the end of the current vendor's contract, with no interruption in service.

To authorize the Administrative and Presiding Judge of the Franklin County Municipal Court to enter into contract with Microgenics Corporation DBA Thermo Fisher Scientific for the rental of a chemistry analyzer; to authorize the expenditure of an amount not to exceed \$200,000.00 from the specialized docket and probation user fee funds; and to declare an emergency. (\$200,000.00)

**WHEREAS,** it is necessary that the Franklin County Municipal Court provide drug testing services; and

**WHEREAS,** it is necessary to enter into contract with Microgenics Corporation DBA Thermo Fisher Scientific for the rental of a chemistry analyzer so that the Court may continue to drug testing services without interruption; and

**WHEREAS,** an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Franklin County Municipal Court, in that it is immediately necessary to authorize the Administrative and Presiding Judge of the Franklin County Municipal Court to enter into contract and authorize the expenditure with Microgenics Corporation DBA Thermo Fisher Scientific for the rental of a chemistry analyzer; to authorize the expenditure of an amount not to exceed \$200,000.00 from the specialized docket and probation user fee funds, to ensure there is no interruption in service when the current vendor's contract expires, all for the immediate preservation of the public health, peace, property, safety, and welfare; and **Now, Therefore**

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

**SECTION 1.** That the Administrative and Presiding Judge of the Franklin County Municipal Court be and is hereby

authorized to enter into contract with Microgenics Corporation DBA Thermo Fisher Scientific for the rental of a chemistry analyzer for the period ending March 31, 2025.

**SECTION 2.** That the expenditure of \$200,000.00, or as much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby authorized from the Franklin County Municipal Court.

**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 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.