



Legislation Text

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This legislation authorizes Columbus City Council to enter into contract with the Columbus Association for the Performing Arts (CAPA) on behalf of Columbus Symphony Orchestra (CSO) for sustaining arts and cultural services that enrich Columbus.

The contract agreement is to be the final installment of a multi-year commitment, and will provide \$150,000 from the General Fund and proceeds of existing encumbrances to match Franklin County funds of \$150,000 and private funds of \$150,000 to assist in building for the CSO a \$1 Million + transition fund. Together, these funds will ensure that CAPA will balance the CSO's 2012 budget, so that the CSO will be fiscally sound and begin to rebuild its balance sheet and cash reserves to ensure a healthy future.

FISCAL IMPACT: Funding for this contract is available in the General Fund and from the proceeds of existing encumbrances, the funds on which are no longer needed.

EMERGENCY DESIGNATION: It is requested that this ordinance be handled in an emergency manner due to the time sensitive deadlines.

To authorize Columbus City Council to contract with Columbus Association for the Performing Arts (CAPA) on behalf of the Columbus Symphony Orchestra (CSO) for the purpose of fostering and sustaining arts and cultural services that enrich the Columbus community, to authorize the cancellation of two existing prior year encumbrances, to authorize and direct the expenditure of \$150,000.00 from the General Fund, and to declare an emergency. (\$150,000.00)

WHEREAS, The Columbus Association for the Performing Arts (CAPA) was formed in 1969 and has received international recognition over the past four decades for its diversity of performing arts and entertainment programming, dramatic restoration of historic theaters, excellence in facilities management, and positive contributions to the quality of life in Columbus; and

WHEREAS, CAPA will enter into contract with Columbus City Council on behalf of the Columbus Symphony Orchestra (CSO) in the amount of \$150,000 to continue to assist in building a one million dollar transition fund for CSO; and

WHEREAS, City Council commits this final installment of a multi-year funding pledge to further emphasize that the city's major cultural and artistic "anchor" institutions are crucial to the cultural fabric of Columbus; and

WHEREAS, existing prior year encumbrances, originally established in 2010, are no longer needed and are being cancelled so as to ultimately be made available to partially fund this contract; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the City in that it is immediately necessary to enter into contract with CAPA in order to facilitate this fund at the earliest possible date, and for the preservation of the public health, peace, safety, and welfare, now, therefore:

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

SECTION 1. That Columbus City Council is hereby authorized to contract with the Columbus Association of the Performing Arts on behalf of the Columbus Symphony Orchestra for the final installment of a multi-year commitment to foster arts and cultural services for the enrichment and benefit of the citizens of Columbus.

SECTION 2. That the City Auditor be and is hereby authorized to cancel encumbrance EL011192, Fund 10, Department

44, Division 4401, OCA 440307, OL3 - 3337, totaling \$115,833.33 and encumbrance EL011192, Fund 10, Department 20, Division 2001, OCA 200105, OL3 - 3337, totaling \$23,166.67, for total cancellations of \$139,000.00.

SECTION 3. That the transfer of \$150,000.00 from the Department of Finance and Management, Division 45-01, General Fund, Fund 010, OCA Code 904508, Object Level One 10, Object Level Three 5501 to City Council Department No. 20-01, Object Level One 03, Object Level Three 3337, OCA Code 200105 for the aforesaid purpose is hereby authorized.

SECTION 4. For the purpose of paying the costs thereof, the sum of \$150,000.00 is hereby authorized to be expended from City Council Department No. 20-01, the General Fund, 010, Object Level One 03, Object Level Three 3337, OCA Code 200105.

SECTION 5. That this contract is awarded pursuant to Section 329.15 of the Columbus City Codes, 1959 as amended.

SECTION 6. That the expenditure authorized by this ordinance shall be expressly contingent upon CAPA's first securing \$150,000 in matching funds from Franklin County as well as \$150,000 in private funds.

SECTION 7. That for the reasons stated in the preamble hereto, that are incorporated herein, this ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure and shall take effect and be in force from and after passage and approval by the Mayor, or ten days thereafter if the Mayor neither approves nor vetoes the same.