



Legislation Text

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..Explanation

BACKGROUND: This ordinance appropriates monies within the Community Development Block Grant Fund (CDBG) to various departments and offices of the government of the City of Columbus for the twelve months ending December 31, 2005. The appropriation of these funds is in accordance with the City of Columbus Consolidated Plan, except that four programs that are administered by the Department of Development involving subrecipient contracts are being restored to their 2004 budget levels. These changes to the Consolidated Plan total \$174,323. The source of funds for these increases is the CDBG revolving loan fund cash. The proposed changes are as follows:

Public Service Competitive Fund: Increase \$23,893 from \$215,037 to \$238,930
Neighborhood Support Fund: Increase \$57,930 from \$473,070 to \$531,000
Homeless Prevention Program: Increase \$70,000 from \$350,000 to \$420,000
Columbus Urban Growth Corporation: Increase \$22,500 from \$202,500 to \$225,000

FISCAL IMPACT: The 2005 CDBG programs total \$12,940,588. These amounts are supported by 2005 estimates of HUD entitlement awards, housing and economic development loan repayments, reprogramming of prior year projects, and other miscellaneous revenues.

This legislation is presented as an emergency for the effective implementation of 2005 CDBG programs.

To authorize an appropriation of \$12,940,588 in various divisions and object levels of the Community Development Block Grant Fund, to provide funding for approved programs, and to declare an emergency (\$12,940,588)

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Finance, in that it is immediately necessary to appropriate the aforementioned funds, thereby preserving the public health, peace, property, safety and welfare; **Now, Therefore**

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

SECTION 1. That from the unappropriated monies in the fund known as the Community Development Block Grant Fund, Fund No. 248, Subfund 001, and from all monies estimated to come into said fund from any and all sources during the 12 months ending December 31, 2005, there be and hereby is appropriated to the following divisions the following sums:

(Refer to Attachment 0041-2005section1)

SECTION 2. That from the unappropriated monies in the fund known as the Community Development Block Grant Fund, Fund No. 248, Subfund 002, and from all monies estimated to come into said fund from any and all sources during the 12 months ending December 31, 2005, there be and hereby is appropriated to the following divisions the following sums:

(Refer to Attachment0041-2005section2)

SECTION 3. That the monies appropriated in the foregoing Section 1 and Section 2 shall be paid upon the order of the respective department directors or elected officials for which the appropriations are made, except that small claims in amounts not to exceed Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500.00) may be paid as authorized by Chapter 335 of the Columbus City Code, 1959, as amended; and except that payments or transfers between departments, divisions or funds of the City may be made by the City Auditor; and except that payments for premiums for official bonds, depository commissions, employees' hospitalization, life insurance, pensions, dental insurance and prepaid legal services, shall be made on the order and approval of the Director of the Department of Finance or City Auditor; and that no order shall be drawn or money paid except upon voucher, the form of which shall

be approved by the City Auditor.

SECTION 4. Except in the matter of payrolls providing for the payment of the salaries of officers and employees regularly employed by the City and extraordinary emergencies, no warrant shall be issued in liquidation of vouchers, unless the department contracting the expense shall have first obtained an order duly certified that there are sufficient funds appropriated to the credit of the proper funds from which the expenditure is to be made, which certificate must be obtained prior to the incurrence of the obligation, and the head of any department or division authorized to contract expenditures will be held personally responsible for any obligation incurred contrary to the provisions of this section. Except that such certificate shall not be issued for obligations pertaining to "Capital Outlay" in programs or activities funded by federal or state categorical grants without the prior approval of the Director of the Department of Finance; such prior approval must be obtained before submission of any requisition for items coded as "Capital Outlay" to the Department of Finance. The Director of the Department of Finance will review such requests for conformity with the approved budget.

SECTION 5. That it is understood that this Council is not making specific appropriations for each item of every classification herein before contained but only for the total for each department and subdepartment, as shown in the final column. The itemized classification shall, however, constitute limitations on the powers of the several department heads as granted in Section 3, and no such officer shall make any expenditure for any other purpose in any amount beyond that of the particular classification; provided, however, that transfers may be made from Object Level 1 to another, within any one department or division. Transfers of sums exceeding \$25,000 shall be authorized only by ordinance of Council. Transfers of sums of \$25,000 or less shall be approved by letter with the signatures of the head of the department, the Director of the Department of Finance, the City Auditor and the Chairman of the Finance Committee.

SECTION 6. That the City Auditor is hereby authorized and directed to pay obligations of various departments pertaining to preceding years obligations from current appropriations up to a maximum of \$25,000.00 per obligation.

SECTION 7. 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.