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Legislation Text

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BACKGROUND: This legislation authorizes the Director of the Department of Development to amend contract EL014826 with the Economic and Community Development Institute (ECDI) for the continuation of the WIN Entrepreneurial Program. The amendment will extend the contract to December 1, 2015 and increase the contract amount by \$100,000 for a new contract total of \$225,000. Columbus City Council, per ordinance 1730-2013 approved on July 15, 2013, authorized the Director of Development to enter into contract with ECDI for the creation and implementation of the Workplace Incubator Network (WIN) Entrepreneurial Program. The WIN Entrepreneurial Program is an essential small business development program that offers technical assistance and office space needed to help Columbus entrepreneurs in the early stage of business development.

ECDI provides a network of comprehensive support to build the economic and social capacities of individuals, families, enterprises and communities. ECDI has become a leader in the field of micro lending, providing microenterprise training to an underserved population including minorities, immigrants, refugees, low-income recipients and the working poor. This allocation is for the purpose of continuing the WIN Entrepreneurial Program.

Emergency action is requested to ensure the uninterrupted continuation of the WIN Entrepreneurial Program with the Economic and Community Development Institute.

FISCAL IMPACT: Columbus City Council has allocated \$100,000 from the 2014 Jobs Growth Fund for the continuation of the ECDI WIN Entrepreneurial Program.

To authorize the Director of the Department of Development to amend the Workplace Incubator Network (WIN) Entrepreneurial Program contract with the Economic and Community Development Institute; to authorize the appropriation and expenditure of \$100,000.00 from the Jobs Growth Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$100,000.00)

WHEREAS, this legislation authorizes the Director of the Department of Development to amend contract EL014826 with the Economic and Community Development Institute (ECDI) for the continuation of the WIN Entrepreneurial Program; and

WHEREAS, the amendment will extend the contract to December 1, 2015 and increase the contract amount by \$100,000 for a new contract total of \$225,000; and

WHEREAS, Columbus City Council, per ordinance 1730-2013 approved on July 15, 2013, authorized the Director of Development to enter into contract with ECDI for the creation and implementation of the Workplace Incubator Network (WIN) Entrepreneurial Program; and

WHEREAS, the WIN Entrepreneurial Program is an essential small business development program that offers technical assistance and office space needed to help Columbus entrepreneurs in the early stage of business development; and

WHEREAS, ECDI provides a network of comprehensive support to build the economic and social capacities of individuals, families, enterprises and communities; and

WHEREAS, ECDI has become a leader in the field of micro lending, providing microenterprise training to an underserved population including minorities, immigrants, refugees, low-income recipients and the working poor. This allocation is for the purpose of continuing the WIN Entrepreneurial Program; and

WHEREAS, Columbus City Council has allocated \$100,000 from the 2014 Jobs Growth Fund for the continuation of the ECDI WIN Entrepreneurial Program; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operations of the Department of Development in that it is immediately necessary to amend said contract with the Economic and Community Development Institute to ensure the uninterrupted continuation of the WIN Entrepreneurial Program, all for the preservation of the public health, peace, 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 amend contract EL014826 with the Economic and Community Development Institute (ECDI) to extend the contract to December 1, 2015 and increase the contract amount by \$100,000 for a new contract total of \$225,000, all for the continuation of the WIN Entrepreneurial Program.

SECTION 2. That from the unappropriated monies in the Job Growth Fund, Fund 015, and from all monies estimated to come into said Fund from any and all sources for the period ending December 31, 2014, the sum of \$100,000.00 is hereby appropriated to the Department of Development, Division 44-02, Object Level One-03, Object Level Three-3337, OCA Code 440215.

SECTION 3. That for the purpose stated in Section 1, the expenditure of \$100,000.00 or so much thereof as may be necessary, be and is hereby authorized to be expended from the Development Department, Economic Development Division, Division 44-02, Jobs Growth Fund, 015, Object Level One 03, Object Level Three 3337, OCA Code 440215.

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. That these modifications are made pursuant to Section 329.16 of the Columbus City Code.

SECTION 6. That for 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 passage and approval by the Mayor, or ten days after passage if the Mayor neither approves nor vetoes the same.