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Legislation Text

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BACKGROUND: This legislation authorizes the Director of the Department of Development to amend contract number DL008967 with the Deaf Services Center to continue support of the Deaf Modification Program. The amendments will provide an additional \$10,000 to the existing \$45,000 from the Community Block Grant Fund and will extend the contract to December 31, 2006.

Contract funds are for the administrative and equipment costs necessary to eliminate environmental barriers in the residences of low and moderate-income individuals who are deaf or hard of hearing. The Deaf Modification Program will provide grants for communication and adaptive equipment necessary to increase the independence and safety of deaf or hard of hearing individuals in the City of Columbus.

Examples of the equipment to be provided include amplified telephones, communication devices, answering machines, motion detectors, strobes, smoke alarms, bed vibrator, baby monitors, individual alert receivers, carbon monoxide detectors, alarm clocks. The Deaf Services Center will provide equipment to approximately 40 eligible applicants city-wide.

Emergency action is requested to allow this vital program to continue uninterrupted.

FISCAL IMPACT: Funds for this expenditure are allocated from the 2005 Community Development Block Grant Fund.

To authorize the Director of the Department of Development to amend a contract with the Deaf Services Center to continue support of the Deaf Modification Program; to authorize the expenditure of \$10,000 from the 2005 Community Development Block Grant Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$10,000)

WHEREAS, the Department of Development, Housing Division, desires to amend contract number DL008697 with the Deaf Services Center to continue support of the Deaf Modification Program; and

WHEREAS, the Deaf Modification Program helps to eliminate environmental barriers in the residences of low and moderate income individuals who are deaf or hard of hearing; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Development, Housing Division, in that it is immediately necessary to amend this contract with the Deaf Services Center to allow vital program services to continue uninterrupted, thereby preserving 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 Director of the Department of Development is hereby authorized to amend contract number DL008967 with the Deaf Services Center by increasing the contract amount by \$10,000 and extending the contract term to December 31, 2006.
- Section 2. That these modifications are awarded pursuant to Section 329.16 of the Columbus City Codes, 1959 as amended.
- Section 3. That for the purpose stated in Section 1, the expenditure of \$10,000.00 or so much thereof as may be necessary, be

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and is hereby authorized to be expended from the Department of Development, Housing Division, Department No. No. 44-10, Fund 248, Object Level One 03, Object Level Three 3336, OCA Code 445009.

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.