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Legislation Text

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BACKGROUND: In 2021, the Columbus City Attorney's Office launched the Project Taillight public safety and crime prevention pilot program. Through this Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant funded pilot, low-income residents have access to free vehicle safety light repairs. These free repair services keep drivers, passengers and pedestrians safer on the roads and help prevent low-income residents from receiving tickets for safety code violations. This pilot is a partnership between the Columbus City Attorney's Office (CAO) and Columbus Division of Police.

To ensure consistent and ready access to quality repair services for program participants, the Columbus City Attorney's Office worked through Columbus State's Automotive Advisory Board to identify accredited auto shops interested in serving as repair partners for the pilot. Interested parties were vetted to ensure their capacity to meet project terms and requirements as defined by the CAO, the grantor and included in the City of Columbus' standard service contract. Through this process, CAO entered into contract with Mr. Transmission/Milex Complete Auto Care and Lindsay Automotive Inc. for repair services.

Due to the success of the program, the City Attorney will extend the pilot through calendar year 2023. This legislation requests contract extensions for the Mr. Transmission/Milex Complete Auto Care and Lindsay Automotive Inc. repair service contracts through December 2023 (service contracts and POs are attached).

- § Mr. Transmission/Milex Complete Auto Contract Purchase Orders: PO299839, PO349838
- § Lindsay Automotive Inc. Contract Purchase Orders: PO333458; PO333451

FISCAL IMPACT: These contract modifications have no fiscal impact.

COMPANY: Mr. Transmission/Milex Complete Auto Care, FID: 84-4804950, CC-033102 exp. 3/8/2025; and Lindsay Automotive Inc, FID: 31-0839052 , CC-004376 exp. 8/31/2024

To authorize the City Attorney to modify existing contracts for service station equipment maintenance and or repair services with Mr. Transmission/Milex Complete Auto Care and Lindsay Automotive Inc.; to authorize the extension of contract periods to December 31, 2023; and to declare an emergency. (\$0.00)

WHEREAS, the Columbus City Attorney's Office implemented the innovative Project Taillight public safety and crime prevention pilot giving low-income residents access to free vehicle safety light repair services; and

WHEREAS, these repair services keep drivers, passengers and pedestrians safer on the roads and prevent low-income residents from receiving tickets for safety code violations; and

WHEREAS, the City Attorney works with local, accredited, vetted repair shops to ensure ready access to quality repairs for program participants; and

WHEREAS, the City Attorney will extend the Project Taillight pilot phase and continue repair services through calendar year 2023; and

WHEREAS, the City Attorney contracted with Mr. Transmission/Milex Complete Auto Care and Lindsay Automotive

Inc. for repair services through 2022; and

WHEREAS, the City Attorney requests contract extensions for Mr. Transmission/Milex Complete Auto Care and Lindsay Automotive Inc. through December 31, 2023 to continue afore mentioned repair services; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the City Attorney's Office in that it is in the best interest of the City to authorize the City Attorney to modify the contract ensuring Project Taillight services which make necessary repairs to vehicle safety equipment, continue uninterrupted through the pilot period.**NOW, THEREFORE**,

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

Section 1. That the City Attorney is hereby authorized to extend the contracts entered into on November 1, 2021 with Mr. Transmission/Milex Complete Auto Care and June 1, 2022 with Lindsay Automotive Inc. to provide repair services for Project Taillight participants through December 31, 2023.

Section 2. 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.