

Legislation Text

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Resolution 175X-2004, adopted by City Council on October 4, 2004, authorized the City of Columbus to enter into an agreement with Franklin County for the purpose of establishing the Columbus/Franklin County Homeland Security Planning Board. That resolution needs to be repealed and replaced with a revised resolution to reflect minor changes to the composition of that board as agreed to between Columbus and Franklin County. This board is being created in order to provide planning and funding for local Homeland Security efforts.

To authorize the City of Columbus to enter into an agreement with the government of Franklin County, Ohio to establish the Columbus/Franklin County Homeland Security Planning Board; to repeal Resolution 175X-2004, adopted on October 4, 2004; and to declare an emergency.

WHEREAS, since September 11, 2001, the Government of the United States of America has created agencies and funding resources to provide for the security of the fifty states of the United States, now referred to as Homeland Security; and

WHEREAS, in establishing these agencies and funding resources the national government has provided funding opportunities to regions of the United States whose units of local government establish cooperative agreements among themselves that are designed to effectively plan and fund local Homeland Security efforts; and

WHEREAS, the Central Ohio area has been designated as an urban area initiative; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to repeal Resolution 175X-2004 and adopt this revised resolution to accurately reflect the composition of the Columbus/Franklin County Homeland Security Planning Board as agreed to by the parties; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the City of Columbus in that it is immediately necessary to adopt this resolution as an emergency measure to enable this agreement to be entered into immediately and to ensure that the board is established and can begin operating without delay to ensure the preservation of the public health, peace, property, safety, and welfare; now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, OHIO:

SECTION 1. That Resolution 175X-2004, adopted October 4, 2004, be and is hereby repealed.

SECTION 2. That the City of Columbus, Ohio, represented by the Director of the Department of Public Safety, or his designee, is authorized to enter into an agreement with the government of Franklin County, Ohio to establish the Columbus/Franklin County Homeland Security Planning Board.

SECTION 3. That the Columbus/Franklin County Homeland Security Planning Board shall be composed of select members of the Franklin County Criminal Justice Planning Board, a board created pursuant to Ohio Revised Code section 181.54, as determined by the Board of County Commissioners. Further, the Director of the Department of Public Safety and the Commissioner of the Department of Health, or their designees, shall serve as members.

SECTION 4. That the administration of the work of the Columbus/Franklin County Homeland Security Planning Board shall be assigned to the Office of Homeland Security and Justice Programs, an agency within the structure of the government of Franklin

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County and authorized by Ohio Revised Code section 181.56.

SECTION 5. That the Columbus/Franklin County Homeland Security Planning Board shall at all times act pursuant to the requirements and guidelines of any and all laws that apply to it and shall do all that is required to plan for and to secure funding for all programs necessary for the security of the geographic area over which it has jurisdiction.

SECTION 6. That, in the event such an occasion should arise, the Columbus/Franklin County Homeland Security Planning Board shall first seek the approval of the Columbus City Council and certification of the Columbus City Auditor before financially obligating the City of Columbus to any expenditure.

SECTION 7. That for the reasons stated in the preamble hereto, which is hereby made a part hereof, this resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure and shall take effect and be in force from and after its adoption and approval by the Mayor, or ten days after adoption if the Mayor neither approves nor vetoes the same.