



City of Columbus

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Legislation Text

File #: 1426-2008, **Version:** 1

Background: This ordinance authorizes the Director of the Department of Public Safety to expend \$1.9 million for the use of the Franklin County Correction Centers for the housing of City of Columbus prisoners. The City of Columbus and Franklin County entered into a contract, numbered CT-15777, that charges a per diem amount for the housing of prisoners, thus eliminating the need for an annual reconciliation. This contract, signed in 1994 by the County Commissioners and the city is amended periodically only for per diem increases. The current per diem amount of \$70 per day was established in January 2002. This ordinance is a request to encumber additional \$1.9 million towards jail per diem expenses to ensure that sufficient funds are available to pay for expenditures through February of 2009. These funds are in addition to the \$5,920,000.00 that was established for jail expenses earlier this year.

Bid Information: N/A

Contract Compliance Number: N/A

Emergency Designation: An emergency designation will insure timely payments to Franklin County.

FISCAL IMPACT: The Public Safety Director's office budgeted \$8.4 million in the 2008 General Fund budget for the jail contract with Franklin County. Ordinance 0054-2008, approved by City Council on May 12, 2008 established \$5.92 million for jail per-diem expenses. This ordinance authorizes an additional \$1.9 million for the jail contract. Therefore, the city's total jail contract expenditure with Franklin County is expected to be \$7.82 million for 2008. The amount for 2007 was \$7,800,380, \$8.4 million in 2006 and \$9.9 million in 2005. Total credits taken in 2007 and early 2008 amounted to \$8,184,957.

To authorize and direct the Director of Public Safety to expend funds for the use of Franklin County Correction Centers for the housing of City of Columbus prisoners; to authorize the expenditure of \$1,900,000.00 from the General Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$1,900,000.00)

WHEREAS, the City of Columbus desires to continue its agreement with The Franklin County Commissioners for the housing of prisoners in the Franklin County Correctional Centers by encumbering additional funds for prisoner expenses; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to direct the Director of Public Safety to continue with the terms of contract number CT-15777 between the City of Columbus and the Franklin County Commissioners established in 1994; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Public Safety in that it is immediately necessary to continue our contract with Franklin County numbered CT-15777, and encumber funds to ensure timely payments for services already provided by the Franklin County Sheriff, and 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 Public Safety is hereby authorized and directed to pay City of Columbus prisoner expenses to the Franklin County Board of Commissioners, in accordance with contract number CT-15777, for the housing of prisoners in the Franklin County Correction Centers.

SECTION 2. That the expenditure of \$1,900,000.00 or so much thereof, as may be necessary, be hereby authorized from the Department of Public Safety as follows.

Division: 30-01 Fund: 010 OCA Code: 300111 Object Level One: 03

Object Level Three: 3336 Amount: \$1,900,000.00

SECTION 3. That for the reasons stated in the preamble hereto, which is hereby made a part hereof, this ordinance is 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.