



Legislation Text

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Background:

This legislation will authorize the City Attorney to accept an American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) grant award from the Franklin County Board of Commissioners, Office of Homeland Security and Justice Programs and will further authorize the transfer and appropriation of matching funds required by the grant award. This is a one time grant that requires a 25% match from City funds.

The funds shall be used to retain two Stalking Investigative Specialists who will work with the City Attorney's Domestic Violence unit to assist in the investigation of stalking cases, assist victims, and fill liaison roles with municipal police departments sharing information and maintaining data collection on stalking suspects. In addition these funds will cover the cost of city staff involvement in the administration of the grant.

Emergency action is requested to allow for the earliest possible commencement of the grant program.

Fiscal Impact:

The required matching funds of \$19,109.00 are included in the City Attorney's General Fund Budget.

Project period: 05/01/09 - 07/31/10
Federal Share: \$57,330.00
City Match: \$19,109.00
Total Grant: \$76,439.00

To authorize the acceptance of the Stalking Investigative Specialist I & II, ARRA-VAWA-900 grant from the Franklin County Board of Commissioners, Office of Homeland Security and Justice Programs; to authorize the appropriation of these funds in the amount of \$57,330.00; to authorize the transfer and appropriation of matching funds required by the acceptance of the grant in the amount of \$19,109.00; to authorize the expenditure of \$76,439.00 from said funds; and to declare an emergency. (\$76,439.00)

WHEREAS, the Franklin County Board of Commissioners, Office of Homeland Security and Justice Programs, has awarded the City of Columbus, City Attorney's Office, a grant in the amount of Fifty-seven Thousand Three Hundred Thirty Dollars (\$57,330.00) for the Stalking Investigative Specialist I & II Grant, ARRA-VAWA-900 for the period of May 1, 2009 through July 31, 2010; and

WHEREAS, the acceptance of this grant requires the City supply matching funds in the amount of Nineteen Thousand One Hundred Nine Dollars (\$19,109.00); and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the daily operation of the City in that it is necessary to immediately accept and appropriate the grant funds and transfer and appropriate the matching funds in order that the services supported may commence as soon as possible and for the preservation of the public health, peace, property, safety and welfare, and, now therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, OHIO

SECTION 1. That the City Attorney be and hereby is authorized to accept the Stalking Investigative Specialist I & II Grant, ARRA-VAWA-900 in the amount of Fifty-seven Thousand Three Hundred Thirty Dollars (\$57,330.00) from the Franklin County Board of Commissioners, Office of Homeland Security and Justice Programs.

SECTION 2. That the amount of Nineteen Thousand One Hundred Nine Dollars (\$19,109.00) is hereby transferred as follows:

FROM: department 2401, general fund, fund number 010, organizational cost account 240564, object level three 1101 \$7,359.00 and

from organizational cost account 240101, object level three 3336 \$11,750.00.

TO: department 2401, general fund, fund number 010, organizational cost account 240564, object level one 10, object level three 5501.

FROM: department 2401, general fund, fund number 010, organizational cost account 240564, object level one 10, object level three 5501.

TO: department 2401, Stalking Investigative Specialist I & II grant fund, grant number 249004, fund number 220, organizational cost account 249004, object level three 0886.

SECTION 3. That from the unappropriated monies in the General Government Grant Fund and from all monies estimated to come into said fund from any and all sources and unappropriated for any other purpose during the project award period the sum of Seventy-six Thousand Four Hundred Thirty-nine Dollars (\$76,439.00) is appropriated as follows: department 2401, Stalking Investigative Specialist I & II grant fund, grant number 249004, fund number 220, organizational cost account 249004, object level three 1100 the amount of \$7,359.00 and object level three 3336 the amount of \$69,080.00.

SECTION 4. That the expenditure of Seventy-six Thousand Four Hundred Thirty-nine Dollars (\$76,439.00), or so much thereof as may be necessary, from the City Attorney's Office, department 24-01, grant number 249004, fund number 220, organizational cost account 249004, object level three 1100 \$7,359.00 and object level three 3336 \$69,080.00 for the aforesaid purposes is hereby authorized.

SECTION 5. 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.