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Legislation Text

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BACKGROUND: This ordinance authorizes the Board of Health to enter into a contract with The Ohio State University College of Public Health, for evaluation of the new Tobacco 21 policy that took effect in October, 2017. The contract with The Ohio State University College of Public Health is in the amount of \$25,000.00, with the time period of December 1, 2017 through November 30, 2018.

The Ohio State University College of Public Health will evaluate three areas including behavioral changes among youth, compliance with the Tobacco 21 policy, and retailer perspectives. Using data from the Buckeye Teen Health Study, analyses will be conducted pre- and post- Tobacco 21 policy to examine changes in smoking related behaviors among 14-19 year old males (as well as their male and female siblings). Also, assessing the Columbus Public Health tracking Envision system, data will be collected and a report will be compiled to analyze and examine the rates of compliance with Tobacco 21 by type of outlet and neighborhood characteristics. A mixed methods data collection will also be used to gather information from clerks in tobacco licensed outlets to summarize the understanding of the policies and compliance of Tobacco 21.

This ordinance is submitted as an emergency to begin the evaluation to access the Tobacco 21 policy.

FISCAL IMPACT: Monies for this contract are budgeted in the Health Special Revenue Fund, 2250.

To authorize and direct the Board of Health to enter into a contract with The Ohio State University, College of Public Health, to evaluate the new Tobacco 21 policy that went into effect October 2017; to authorize the expenditure of \$25,000.00 from the Health Special Revenue Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$25,000.00)

WHEREAS, Columbus Public Health has identified a need to evaluate the Tobacco 21 policy that went into effect October 2017; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to authorize the Board of Health to enter into a contract with The Ohio State University, College of Public Health, for evaluation services of the new Tobacco 21 policy; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of Columbus Public Health in that it is immediately necessary to contract with The Ohio State University, College of Public Health, to provide evaluation services for the Tobacco 21 policy, 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 Board of Health is hereby authorized to enter into a contract in the amount of \$25,000.00 with The Ohio State University College of Public Health, to evaluate the new Tobacco 21 policy.

SECTION 2. That for the contract stated above, the sum of \$25,000.00 is hereby authorized to be expended from the Health Special Revenue Fund, Fund No. 2250, according to the attached accounting document.

SECTION 3. That the funds necessary to carry out the purpose of this ordinance are hereby deemed appropriated, and the City Auditor shall establish such accounting codes as necessary.

SECTION 4. That the City Auditor is hereby authorized to transfer the unencumbered balance in a project account to the unallocated balance account within the same fund upon receipt of certification by the Director of the Department administering said project that the project has been completed and the monies are no longer required for said project.

SECTION 5. That for 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.