Legislation Text

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This ordinance authorizes the City Clerk to enter into a grant agreement with After-School All Stars Ohio in support of the organization's mentorship program.

Founded by Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger 30 years ago, After-School All-Stars Ohio (ASAS) provides free, high-quality after-school programs to low-income youth across the country. ASAS serves children whose lives are mostly defined by severe deprivation of basic human needs, including food, health, safety, shelter, and access to information. ASAS gives students a safe-haven during the "danger zone" hours of 3pm-6pm, the time of day when youth violence, drug use and other delinquent behaviors are most likely to occur. ASAS' programs work to close an opportunity gap that exists between low-income youth and their upper income peers.

During the 2022-23 school year, ASAS will offer programming at Columbus City Schools, KIPP Columbus, Columbus Metropolitan Housing Authority sites, and implement a Mentorship Program for students in grades 5th-8th with a first responder mentor. Through this model, ASAS' programs strengthen neighborhoods and communities for our families.

Fiscal Impact: Funding is available within the Neighborhood Initiatives subfund.

Emergency action is requested in order to avoid any delay in providing the agency with the resources necessary for the implementation and maintenance of the mentorship program.

To authorize the City Clerk to enter into a grant agreement with After-School All Stars Ohio in support of the organization's mentorship program; to authorize an appropriation and expenditure within the Neighborhood Initiatives subfund; and to declare an emergency. ($55,000.00)

WHEREAS, founded 30 years ago, After-School All-Stars Ohio (ASAS) provides free, high-quality after-school programs to low-income youth across the country; and

WHEREAS, ASAS serves children whose lives are mostly defined by severe deprivation of basic human needs, including food, health, safety, shelter, and access to information; and

WHEREAS, during the 2022-23 school year, ASAS will offer programming at Columbus City Schools, KIPP Columbus, Columbus Metropolitan Housing Authority sites, and implement a Mentorship Program for students in grades 5th-8th with a first responder mentor; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Clerk's Office in that it is immediately necessary to authorize a grant agreement with ASAS in order to avoid any delay in providing the agency with the resources necessary for the implementation and maintenance of the mentorship program; **now, therefore,**

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

SECTION 1. That the City Clerk is hereby authorized to enter into a grant agreement with After-School All Stars Ohio in support of the organization's mentorship program.

SECTION 2. That the Auditor is hereby authorized and directed to appropriate $55,000.00 within the Neighborhood

Initiatives subfund, fund 1000,subfund 100018, to Columbus City Council in 03-Services, per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

SECTION 3. That per the action authorized in Section 1 of this ordinance, the expenditure of $55,000.00 within the Neighborhood Initiatives subfund is hereby authorized per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

SECTION 4. 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 5. That the City Auditor is authorized to make any accounting changes to revise the funding source for all contracts or contract modifications associated with this ordinance.

SECTION 6. 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 approval by the Mayor, or ten days after passage if the Mayor neither approves nor vetoes the same.