

City of Columbus

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Legislation Text

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BACKGROUND: This legislation authorizes the Director of the Department Development to enter a grant agreement with the Community Shelter Board in an amount up to \$600,000.00 to provide housing support and service coordination for the residents of the Colonial Village apartment complex, and to authorize expenditures beginning November 1, 2023. Funding will be advanced to the agency on a predetermined schedule.

Over 300 households in Colonial Village apartment complex are being relocated to temporary housing due to unsafe and unhealthy conditions. The Community Shelter Board mobilized to provide temporary housing in motels- coordinating accommodations, meals, transportation, and linkage to on-site county agencies. Each household is eligible for accommodations and services as they work with relocation specialists to identify long-term housing options. Services available include delivery of meals, transportation, staffing costs, as well as security services.

A future modification to this agreement is anticipated to provide additional support in 2024.

Emergency action is requested as the necessary relocation of hundreds of tenants is urgent and eminent. Resources are needed to provide assistance for temporary housing.

FISCAL IMPACT: \$600,000.00 will be transferred from General Fund Citywide Account.

CONTRACT COMPLIANCE: The vendor number is 004795 and expires on 1/09/2025.

To authorize the Director of the Department of Development to enter into a grant agreement with the Community Shelter Board in an amount not to exceed \$600,000.00 to provide housing support and service coordination for the residents of the Colonial Village apartment complex; to authorize the transfer of \$600,000.00 from the General Fund Citywide Account to the Department of Development General Fund Budget; to authorize the expenditure of \$600,000.00 from the General Fund; to authorize payment for reasonable food and non-alcoholic beverages for residents; to approve expenditures incurred prior to the approval of the purchase order; to authorize the advancement of funds on a predetermined schedule; and to declare an emergency. (\$600,000.00)

WHEREAS, over 300 households in Colonial Village apartment complex are being relocated to temporary housing due to unsafe and unhealthy conditions; and

WHEREAS, the Community Shelter Board mobilized to provide temporary housing in motels- coordinating accommodations, meals, transportation, and linkage to on-site county agencies; and

WHEREAS, the City wishes to enter into a grant agreement with the Community Shelter Board to assist the organization in providing housing support and service coordination for the residents of the Colonial Village apartment complex; and

WHEREAS, each household is eligible for accommodations and services as they work with relocation specialists to identify long-term housing options; and

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WHEREAS, services available include delivery of meals, transportation, staffing costs, as well as security services; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Development, in that it is immediately necessary to authorize the Director of the Department of Development to enter into a grant agreement with the Community Shelter Board to provide housing support and service coordination for the residents of the Colonial Village apartment complex, all for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, property, and safety; NOW, THEREFORE,

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

- **SECTION 1.** That the Director of the Department of Development is hereby authorized to enter into a grant agreement with the Community Shelter Board in an amount not to exceed \$600,000.00 to provide housing support and service coordination for the residents of the Colonial Village apartment complex; to authorize expenditures incurred prior to the purchase order, beginning November 1, 2023; and to authorize the advancement funds per a schedule to be included in the agreement.
- **SECTION 2.** That Columbus City Council hereby determines that the purchase and distribution of food and non-alcoholic beverages, as related to the action authorized in Section 1 of this ordinance, is for a public purpose and is authorized.
- **SECTION 3.** That the transfer of \$600,000.00 or so much thereof as may be needed, is hereby authorized within Fund 1000 (General Fund), from Dept.-Div 45-01 (Financial Management), object class 10 (Transfer Out Operating) to Dept-Div 44-01 (Administration), object class 05 (Other) per the account codes in the attachment to this ordinance.
- **SECTION 4.** That for the purpose stated in Section 1, the expenditure of \$600,000.00 or so much thereof as may be needed, is hereby authorized in Fund 1000 (General Fund), Dept. 44-01 (Administration), in Object Class 05 (Other) per the accounting codes in the attached to this ordinance.
- **SECTION 5.** That this agreement is awarded pursuant to the relevant provisions of Columbus City Code related to awarding grant agreements.
- **SECTION 6.** 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 7.** That the City Auditor is authorized to make any accounting changes to revise the funding source for all contract modifications associated with this ordinance.
- **SECTION 8.** 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.