



# City of Columbus

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## Legislation Text

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**BACKGROUND:** This legislation authorizes the Director of the Department of Development to modify grant agreement with Choice Network, Inc. by adding an amount up to \$250,000.00 to provide general operating support. The original award was for \$500,000.00. The funding of the award was split into two phases.

Original Agreement	\$250,000.00	Ord. 1041-2023	PO387612
<u>Modification No. 1</u>	<u>\$250,000.00</u>	Ord. 2062-2023	
Total	\$500,000.00		

Choice Network, Inc., ("Choice") is a not for profit organization whose purpose is to provide adoption services and support. Funding will support the operations of the organization by providing needed funds for staffing, space, marketing, and supplies. Choice does not provide any direct support for terminating a pregnancy; rather, it refers clients to other agencies who can provide that care.

No public funds shall be used to subsidize abortion procedures and associated services such as anesthesia, laboratory tests, or hospital services as proscribed by RC §§5101.55 and 5101.56.

This legislation will modify the grant agreement to add additional funds. The contract terms will not change.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** Funding of \$250,000.00 is available within the Neighborhood Initiatives Subfund (100018).

**CONTRACT COMPLIANCE:** The vendor number is 042891 and expires on 8/31/2024.

To authorize the Director of the Department of Development to modify a grant agreement in an amount up to \$250,000.00 to provide general operating support to Choice Network, Inc., and advance payments; to authorize an appropriation and expenditure of \$250,000.00 within the Neighborhood Initiatives Subfund. (\$250,000.00)

**WHEREAS,** Choice Network, Inc. is a not for profit organization whose purpose is to provide adoption services and support to women; and

**WHEREAS,** Choice does not provide any direct support to terminate a pregnancy; rather, they refer clients to other agencies who can provide that care; and

**WHEREAS,** the Director of the Department of Development desires to enter into a grant agreement to provide operating support for the organization; and

**WHEREAS,** Columbus City Council approved ordinance 1041-2023 to enter into contract with Choice Network, Inc.; and

**WHEREAS,** it has become necessary in the usual daily operation of the Department of Development to modify this

contract to add additional funds; **NOW THEREFORE,**

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

**SECTION 1.** That the Director of Development is hereby authorized to modify the grant agreement in an amount up to \$250,000.00 to provide general operating support to Choice Network, Inc., and advance payments.

**SECTION 2.** That from the unappropriated monies and from all monies estimated to come into said fund from any and all sources and unappropriated for any other purpose during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2023, the sum of \$250,000.00 is appropriated in fund 1000 (General Fund), subfund 100018 (Neighborhoods Initiatives Subfund), Dept-Div 44-01 (Administration), in object class 05 (Other) per the account codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

**SECTION 3.** That for the purpose as stated in Section 1, the expenditure of \$250,000.00, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby authorized in fund 1000 (General Fund), subfund 100018 (Neighborhood Initiatives Subfund), Dept-Div 44-01 (Administration), in Object Class 05 (Other) 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 deemed appropriated, and the City Auditor shall establish such accounting codes as necessary. That no public funds shall be used to subsidize abortion procedures and associated services such as anesthesia, laboratory tests, or hospital services as proscribed by RC §§5101.55 and 5101.56.

**SECTION 5.** 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 6.** That this ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.