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Legislation Text

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BACKGROUND: Ordinance 1952-2008 authorized the expenditure of \$90,696 to preserve the local supply of decent, safe, sanitary and affordable housing for low-income families. These services are needed to protect the health and safety of the citizens of Columbus. These Home Safe and Sound services included repairing or replacement of roofs, and correction of housing code violations. It has been determined that the City needs to expand the use of the funds to include emergency repair services which will include heating, plumbing, electrical and other emergency home repairs.

Emergency action is requested to avoid interruptions in vital program services.

FISCAL IMPACT: This legislation will expand the activities eligible for expenditure. No additional funds are necessary.

To amend Ordinance 1952-2008, passed January 26, 2009, to include emergency repair services as eligible activities under the various affordable housing programs administered by the Housing Division and to establish purchase orders for these services; and to declare an emergency.

Whereas, on January 26, 2009 City Council passed Ordinance No. 1952-2008 authorizing the expenditure of \$90,696 to preserve the local supply of decent, safe, sanitary and affordable housing for low-income families; and

Whereas, since then, it has been determined that the City needs to expand the use of funds to include emergency repair services which will include heating, plumbing, electrical and other emergency home repairs; and

Whereas, this legislation will amend both the Title and Sections of Ordinance No. 1952-2008 to include emergency repair activities as eligible expenses; and

Whereas, emergency action is necessary to avoid interruptions in vital program services; and

Whereas, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Development, Housing Division, in that it is immediately necessary to amend Ordinance 1952-2008 to avoid interruptions in vital program services, thereby preserving the public health, peace, property, safety and welfare; and **NOW, THEREFORE**,

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

Section 1. That Section 1 of Ordinance 1952-2008 be and is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 1. That the Director of the Department of Development is hereby authorized to make financial assistance available through the various affordable housing programs administered by the Housing Division including homeowner assistance in Neighborhood Pride areas, roof repairs, home maintenance repairs for seniors, emergency repair services, and accessibility modifications.

Section 2. That a new Section 2 be added to Ordinance No. 1952-2008 to be read as follows:

Section 2. That the Director of Finance and Management be and is hereby authorized and directed to issue purchase orders to Holt Mechanical, Ohio Mechanical and All About Drains for emergency repair services in accordance with established Universal Term Contracts.

The remaining sections of Ordinance No. 1952-2008 are renumbered accordingly.

Section 3. That in the reasons stated in the preamble hereto, which is hereby made a part thereof, this Ordinance is 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.