



# City of Columbus

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## Legislation Text

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**BACKGROUND:** This legislation authorizes the Director of Public Safety to enter into an agreement with the Community Crime Patrol, Inc. to assist the Division of Police in identifying suspicious activities indicative of criminal behavior and reporting them to the Police Division. Neighborhoods patrolled include the Hilltop, Franklinton, Merion Southwood, The Ohio State University district and the Metro Parks Greenway trails along the Olentangy River, as well as the Alum Creek Trail. The duration of this agreement will be March 1, 2011 through February 28, 2012. The Community Crime Patrol is funded by the City of Columbus, The Ohio State University and the United Way of Central Ohio.

**Emergency Designation:** This legislation is presented as an emergency to ensure that the community crime patrol program continues without interruption. The current contract expires at the end of February 2011.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** This ordinance authorizes an expenditure of \$278,000.00 from the General Fund. The Community Crime Patrol was funded at \$200,000 in the Photo Red Light Fund and \$50,000 from General Government Grant Funds in 2009. A total of \$278,000 from the General Fund was expended in 2010.

To authorize the Director of the Department of Public Safety to enter into contract with the Community Crime Patrol, Inc. to provide citizen patrollers to assist the Division of Police in the control and prevention of crime in the Hilltop, Franklinton, Merion Southwood and The Ohio State University areas, as well as the Metro Parks Greenway Trails along the Olentangy River and Alum Creek, to authorize the expenditure of \$278,000.00 from the General Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$278,000.00)

**WHEREAS,** the City of Columbus has agreed to support the Community Crime Patrol, Inc. program; and

**WHEREAS,** the program is viewed as an aid in the control and prevention of crime in the Hilltop, Franklinton, Merion Southwood and Ohio State University areas, as well as the Metro Parks Greenway Trails along the Olentangy River and Alum Creek.; and

**WHEREAS,** the Director of the Department of Public Safety desires to enter into contract with the Community Crime Patrol, Inc. for the provision of citizen patrollers, who assist the Division of Police in identifying suspicious activities indicative of criminal behavior and reporting them; and

**WHEREAS,** an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Public Safety, in that it is immediately necessary to enter into a contract with the Community Crime Patrol, Inc. to ensure the continuation of the program without interruption, 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 Director of the Department of Public Safety is hereby authorized to enter into contract with Community Crime Patrol, Inc. for the purpose of providing citizen patrollers to assist the Division of Police in the identification and reporting of suspicious activity. The contract period will be March 1, 2011 through February 28, 2012.

**SECTION 2.** That for the purpose as stated in Section 1, the expenditure of \$278,000.00, or so much thereof as necessary, be and is hereby authorized to be expended from the Department of Public Safety, Division No. 30-01, General Fund, Fund 010, Object Level One 03, Object Level Three 3337, OCA Code 300111.

**SECTION 3.** That this contract is awarded pursuant to Section 329.15 of the Columbus City Codes, 1959 as amended.

**SECTION 4.** 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 (10) days after passage if the Mayor neither approves nor vetoes the same.