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Legislation Text

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BACKGROUND: Columbus Public Health has been awarded a grant from Gilead Sciences, Inc. This ordinance is needed to accept and appropriate a total of \$258,000.00 in grant monies to fund the FOCUS Hep C grant program, for the period of July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021.

The FOCUS Hep C grant program will allow Columbus Public Health (CPH) to seek to reduce morbidity and mortality associated with Hepatitis C. Additional Hepatitis C screening will be made available through the Sexual Health and Alcohol and Other Drug programs. Persons who screen positive for Hepatitis C through these programs will be referred to a Linkage to Care Specialist. The client will be assessed for current health insurance status and enrolled in any available programs, including Medicare and Medicaid. The client will be assessed for readiness to be linked to care. Persons ready will be referred to available infectious disease specialists.

This ordinance is submitted as an emergency so as to allow the financial transaction to be posted in the city's accounting system as soon as possible. Up to date financial posting promotes accurate accounting and financial management.

FISCAL IMPACT: The FOCUS Hep C grant program is entirely funded by Gilead Sciences, Inc.

To authorize and direct the Board of Health to accept a 2020-2021 Focus Hepatitis C grant from Gilead Sciences, Inc.; to authorize the appropriation of \$258,000.00 from the unappropriated balance of the City Private Grants Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$258,000.00)

WHEREAS, \$258,000.00 in grant funds have been made available through Gilead Sciences, Inc. for the FOCUS Hep C Grant Program for the period of July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to accept and appropriate these funds from Gilead Sciences, Inc. for the support of the FOCUS Hep C Grant Program; and

WHEREAS, this ordinance is submitted as an emergency so as to allow the financial transaction to be posted in the city's accounting system as soon as possible. Up to date financial posting promotes accurate accounting and financial management; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Health Department in that it is immediately necessary to accept these grant funds from Gilead Sciences, Inc. and to appropriate these funds to the Health Department to ensure the immediate delivery of services, all for the immediate 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 Board of Health is hereby authorized and directed to accept a grant award of \$258,000.00 from Gilead Sciences, Inc. for the FOCUS Hep C Grant Program, for the period July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021.

SECTION 2. That from the unappropriated monies in the City Private Grants Fund, Fund No. 2291, and from all monies estimated to come into said fund from any and all sources during the twelve months ending June 30, 2021, the sum of

\$258,000.00 and any eligible interest earned during the grant period is hereby appropriated to the Health Department, Division No. 50, as follows:

<u>Object Class</u>	<u>Main Account</u>	<u>Program</u>	<u>Project</u>	<u>Section 3</u>	<u>Section 4</u>	<u>Amount</u>
01	61100	HE004	G	500111	HE22	\$170,253.00
02	62000	HE004	G	500111	HE22	\$ 57,747.00
03	63000	HE004	G	500111	HE22	\$ 30,000.00

SECTION 3. That the monies appropriated in the foregoing Section 2 shall be paid upon the order of the Health Commissioner and that no order shall be drawn or money paid except upon voucher, the form of which shall be approved by the City Auditor.

SECTION 4. That at the end of the grant period, any repayment of unencumbered balances required by the grantor is hereby authorized and any unused city match monies may be transferred back to the City fund from which they originated in accordance with all applicable grant agreements.

SECTION 5. 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 6. That all related fee revenue income is hereby deemed appropriated.

SECTION 7. That for 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.