

City of Columbus

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Legislation Text

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Background:

This legislation will authorize the Columbus City Attorney to accept the Cyber Crime Investigator and Domestic Violence Victim Advocate Grant from the U.S. Department of Justice Bureau of Justice Assistance, the Ohio Office of Criminal Justice Services.

This grant partially funds a Cyber Crime Investigator and a Domestic Violence Victim Advocate to serve the Franklin County community within the City Attorney's Prosecution section. The Cyber Crime Investigator investigates telecommunication harassment allegations and frequently assists in stalking cases helping to identify the suspect. The DV Victim Advocate works with victims of domestic violence and stalking in their initial court appearances, frequently within days of the incident, as well as assisting them with obtaining emergency protection orders. Emergency action is requested to allow for the commencement of the grant activities.

Fiscal Impact:

Project period: 01/01/2012 - 12/31/12

Federal Share: \$91,124.00 Matching funds: \$30,374.67 Total Grant: \$121,498.67

The required matching funds of \$30,274.67 are included in the City Attorney's 2012 General Fund budget.

To authorize the City Attorney to accept a grant from the U.S. Department of Justice Bureau of Justice Assistance, the Ohio Office of Criminal Justice Services, in the amount of \$91,124.00 for the funding of the Cyber Crime Investigator and Domestic Violence Victim Advocate program; to authorize the appropriation of said grant funds; to authorize the transfer of matching funds required by the acceptance of the grant in the amount of \$30,374.67 from the General Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$121,498.67)

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Justice Bureau of Justice Assistance, the Ohio Office of Criminal Justice Services has awarded the City of Columbus, City Attorney's Office, a grant in the amount of Ninety-one Thousand One Hundred Twenty-four Dollars (\$91,124.00) for the Cyber Crime Investigator and Domestic Violence Victim Advocate program, Grant #2011-JG-D01-6930, for the period of January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2012; and

WHEREAS, the acceptance of this grant requires the City Attorney's Office to supply matching funds in the amount of Thirty Thousand Three Hundred Seventy-four and 67/100 Dollars (\$30,374.67); and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the daily operation of the City Attorney's Office in that it is necessary to immediately accept and appropriate the grant funds and transfer the matching funds, in order that the services supported may commence and for the preservation of the public health, peace, property, safety and welfare, and now therefore,

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

SECTION 1. That the Columbus City Attorney is hereby authorized to accept a grant award from the U.S. Department of Justice Bureau of Justice Assistance, the Ohio Office of Criminal Justice Services in the amount of Ninety-one Thousand One Hundred Twenty-four Dollars (\$91,124.00) for the Cyber Crime Investigator and Domestic Violence Victim Advocate program, Grant No. 2011-JG-D01-6930.

SECTION 2. That the amount of Thirty Thousand Three Hundred Seventy-four and 67/100 Dollars (\$30,374.67); is hereby transferred from the General Fund of the City Attorney's Office as follows:

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FROM: department 2401, general fund, fund number 010, organizational cost account 240564, object level three 1000. TO: department 2401, general fund, fund number 010, organizational cost account 240564, object level three 5501. FROM: department 2401, general fund, fund number 010, organizational cost account 240564, object level three 5501.

TO: department 2401, general government grant fund, fund number 220, 2012 Cyber Crime Investigator and Domestic Violence Victim Advocate Grant, grant number, 241201, organizational cost account 241201, object level three 0886. **SECTION 3.** That from the unappropriated monies in the General Government Grant Fund and from all monies estimated to come into said fund from any and all sources and unappropriated for any other purpose during the project award period the sum of One Hundred Twenty-one Thousand Four Hundred Ninety-eight Dollars and Sixty-seven Cents (\$121,498.67) is appropriated as follows: department 2401, fund number 220, 2012 Cyber Crime Investigator and Domestic Violence Victim Advocate Grant, grant number 241201, organizational cost account 241201, object level three 1000.

SECTION 4. That funds appropriated in the foregoing Section 3 shall be paid upon order of the City Attorney and that no order shall be drawn or money paid except by voucher, the form of which shall be approved by the City Auditor.

SECTION 5. 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 6. Funds necessary to carry out the purpose of this ordinance are hereby deemed appropriated.

SECTION 7. 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.