



Legislation Text

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Background:

Since 2014, the City, under the leadership of then-City Council President and now Mayor Andrew J. Ginther, has invested time and resources to address and reduce the infant mortality rate in Franklin County through the collaborative effort called CelebrateOne. To further prioritize the work of this initiative under the current administration, this legislation seeks to transfer CelebrateOne programming from Columbus Public Health to the Mayor's Office. As part of the 2017 amended operating budget (2862-2016 and 2863-2016), and accompanying authorized strength ordinance (0059-2017), program leadership was transferred to the Mayors' Office. This legislation will authorize the transfer of the remainder of CelebrateOne personnel and other programmatic funding from Columbus Public Health to the Mayor's Office.

Accompanying legislation (0694-2017) seeks approval to change the authorized strength for both departments to allow for this transfer, effective with the pay period beginning 4/23/2017.

Emergency: This legislation is being submitted as emergency to allow for proper accounting of this program and to allow for as little interruption in services as possible.

Fiscal Impact: CelebrateOne is currently funded by Health's special revenue fund as well as three private grants. In transitioning this program, authority for the budget balances, outstanding encumbrances and obligations, as well as future expenditures in the grants is being transferred to the Mayor's Office. Health's special revenue fund will be reduced through a reduction in the general fund subsidy it receives by a total of \$538,032. This amount will be added to the Mayor's Office general fund appropriation to cover programmatic expenses for the remainder of the year.

To transfer responsibility for the CelebrateOne initiative from Columbus Public Health to the Mayor's Office; to reduce Health's special revenue fund by \$538,032.00 through a reduction in the general fund subsidy it receives by the same amount; to increase the Mayor's Office general fund appropriation by \$538,032.00; to transfer the grant administration and management of three CelebrateOne related private grants from Columbus Public Health to the Mayor's Office; and to declare an emergency (\$538,032.00).

WHEREAS, since 2014, the City has invested time and resources to address and reduce the infant mortality rate in Franklin County through the collaborative effort called CelebrateOne; and

WHEREAS, the administration wishes to further prioritize the work of this initiative by transferring it from Columbus Public Health to the Mayor's Office; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to transfer funding and personnel from Columbus Public Health to the Mayor's Office through a reduction in the general fund subsidy Health receives into its special revenue fund and a subsequent increase in the Mayor's Office general fund appropriation; and

WHEREAS, it is further necessary to authorize the transfer of grant administration and management of three private grants related to the CelebrateOne initiative from Columbus Public Health to the Mayor's Office; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Mayor's Office in that it is immediately necessary to authorize the transfer of the CelebrateOne program/initiative, and all associated funding and financial responsibility, from

Columbus Public Health to the Mayor's Office 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 OHIO:

SECTION 1. That the City Auditor is authorized and directed to reduce Health's special revenue fund, fund 2250, by \$538,032 per the account codes in the attachment to this ordinance:

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SECTION 2. That the City Auditor is authorized and directed to reduce the general fund subsidy Columbus Public Health receives by \$538,032 per the account codes in the attachment to this ordinance:

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SECTION 3. That the City Auditor is authorized and directed to increase the Mayor's Office general fund appropriation by \$538,032 per the account codes in the attachment to this ordinance:

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SECTION 4. That the administration and management of the CelebrateOne program and the three private grants will transfer from Columbus Public Health to the Mayor's Office, including 2015 CelebrateOne Community Connector (G501549), 2016 FCCS CelebrateOne Neighborhood Intervention (G501617), and 2016-2017 CelebrateOne Constituency Coordinator (G501624).

SECTION 5. That the Mayor's Office is authorized to pay any outstanding encumbrances and contract obligations formerly held by Columbus Public Health as it relates to CelebrateOne using special revenue or grant funding, including prior year(s) encumbrances until those balances are liquidated or no longer needed.

SECTION 6. That the current grant(s) appropriation from those grants stated in Section 4 associated with the CelebrateOne initiative be transferred from Columbus Public Health to the Mayor's Office, after the payroll for the 8th pay period of the year has posted, which is paid on April 27, 2017.

SECTION 7. That at the end of the grant period, any repayment of unencumbered balances required by the grantor is hereby authorized and any unused city contributed moneys may be transferred back to the city fund from which they originated in accordance with all applicable grant agreements.

SECTION 8. 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 9. That the City Auditor is authorized to establish proper accounting numbers as appropriate.

SECTION 10. That the City Auditor is authorized to make any accounting changes to revise the funding source for all contracts or contract modifications associated with this Ordinance.

SECTION 11. 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