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Legislation Text

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BACKGROUND: The Columbus Health Department has been awarded a grant from the Homeland Security Department through the Ohio Emergency Management Agency. This ordinance is needed to accept and appropriate \$258,345.00 in grant money to fund the Metropolitan Medical Response System grant program for the period of July 1, 2007 through March 31, 2010.

The Metropolitan Medical Response System grant provides assistance to the Columbus area medical emergency partner network to respond to a mass casualty event in central Ohio, e.g., local airport exercises, Poison Control services, Medical Reserve Corps. services, etc.

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 given the grant start date of July 1, 2007. Up to date financial posting promotes accurate accounting and financial management.

FISCAL IMPACT: The program is funded by the Homeland Security Department and does not generate revenue.

To authorize and direct the Board of Health to accept a grant from the Homeland Security Department in the amount of \$258,345.00; to authorize the appropriation of \$258,345.00 from the unappropriated balance of the Health Department Grants Fund, and to declare an emergency. (\$258,345.00)

WHEREAS, \$258,345.00 in grant funds have been made available through the Homeland Security Department for the Metropolitan Medical Response System 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 Columbus Health Department in that it is immediately necessary to accept this grant from the Homeland Security Department and to appropriate these funds to the Health Department 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 \$258,345.00 from the Homeland Security Department for the Metropolitan Medical Response System program for the period July 1, 2007 through March 31, 2010.

SECTION 2. That from the unappropriated monies in the Health Department Grants Fund, Fund No. 251, and from all monies estimated to come into said Fund from any and all sources during the twelve months ending December 31, 2008, the sum of \$258,345 is hereby appropriated to the Health Department, Division No. 50, as follows:

Metropolitan Medical Response System Grant

OCA: 508051 Grant No.: 508051 Obj. Level 01: 01 Amount \$177,492

OCA: 508051 Grant No.: 508051 Obj. Level 01: 02 Amount \$ 27,703

OCA: 508051 Grant No.: 508051 Obj. Level 01: 03 Amount \$ 53,150

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 by voucher, the form of which shall be approved by the City Auditor.

SECTION 4. That for reasons stated in the preamble hereto, which is hereby made a part hereof, 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.