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Legislation Text

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BACKGROUND: This ordinance authorizes the City of Columbus to accept, appropriate and expend payments totaling up to \$88,540.87 through the 2013 Market Development Grant Program of the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency. The ordinance also authorizes the Director of the Department of Development to enter into an agreement with Rain Brothers, Inc. (cc# 51-0642924, expiration 5/2015) for the implementation of the 2013 Market Development Grant Program. Rain Brothers, Inc. was the specified vendor in the Ohio EPA grant agreement after being selected through the Ohio EPA request for proposals process. Therefore, the City's agreement will be based on Section 329.07 (e) -Sole Source Procurement.

Rain Brothers, Inc., headquartered in Columbus Ohio, is Ohio's largest supplier of rainwater harvesting products. It also offers services as professional, experienced, licensed, and accredited contractors for the installation of all sizes of rainwater harvesting systems from residential rain barrel installs, to above-ground rainwater tank set-ups, to large-scale underground cistern excavation and installation. Rain Brothers also installs sustainable irrigation systems for residential, commercial, and agricultural use.

The 2013 Market Development Grant will include the provision of recycling tools, equipment, infrastructure and on-site renovations when working on the City's vacant and abandoned housing deconstruction initiative.

This legislation is submitted as an emergency to allow the program's activities to begin immediately.

FISCAL IMPACT: This legislation authorizes the acceptance of a \$88,540.87 grant from the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency and the appropriation and expenditure of those funds from the General Government Grant Fund.

To authorize the Director of the Department of Development to accept payments totaling up to \$88,540.87 from the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency for the 2013 Market Development Grant Program; to authorize the appropriation of \$88,540.87 from the General Government Grant Fund to the Department of Development; to authorize the Director of the Department of Development to enter into an agreement with Rain Brothers, Inc. for the implementation of the 2013 Market Development Grant Program in accordance with Sole Source Procurement provisions of the Columbus City Code; to authorize the expenditure of \$88,540.87 from the General Government Grant Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$88,540.87)

WHEREAS, the Department of Development wishes to accept a grant from the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency under the 2013 Market Development Grant Program that will include the provision of recycling tools, equipment, infrastructure and on-site renovations when working on the City's vacant and abandoned housing deconstruction initiative; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to accept, appropriate and expend the funds from the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency for the aforementioned activities in the amount of \$88,540.87; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Development will enter into an agreement with Rain Brothers, Inc. to implement the 2013 Market Development Grant Program; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the City of Columbus in that it is immediately necessary to accept, appropriate and expend said funds to allow the program's activities to begin immediately, all for the immediate preservation of the public health, 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 Development is hereby authorized to accept 2013 Market Development Grant Program payments of up to \$88,540.87 from the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency.

Section 2. That from the unappropriated monies in Fund 220 and from all monies estimated to come into said fund from any and all sources and unappropriated for any other purpose during the grant period, the sum of \$88,540.87 is appropriated upon receipt of an executed grant agreement in Fund 220, Division 44-10, Grant Number to be determined by Auditor, OCA to be determined by Auditor, Object Level Three 3337, Amount \$88,540.87.

Section 3. That, in accordance with Section 329.07(e) of the Columbus City Code - Exceptions to competitive sealed bidding, Sole Source Procurement, the Director of the Department of Development is hereby authorized and directed to enter into an agreement with the Rain Brothers, Inc. (cc# 51-0642924, expiration 5/2015) for the implementation of the 2013 Market Development Grant Program which will include the provision of recycling tools, equipment, infrastructure and on-site renovations when working on the City's vacant and abandoned housing deconstruction initiative.

Section 4. That for the purpose stated in Section 3, the expenditure of \$88,540.87 is hereby authorized from the General Government Grant Fund, Fund 220, Department of Development, Division, Division No. 44-10, Object Level One XX, Object Level Three 3337, with the OCA and Grant Number to be determined by the City Auditor upon receipt of an executed grant agreement.

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. 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 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 passage and approval by the Mayor, or ten days after passage if the Mayor neither approves nor vetoes the same.