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Legislation Text

File #: 2960-2014, **Version:** 1

Background:

This legislation will authorize the City Attorney to accept the 2015 Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) Domestic Violence Prosecutors Grant from the Franklin County Board of Commissioners, Office of Homeland Security and Justice Programs. This ordinance will further authorize the transfer of the required matching funds and the appropriation of funds.

This grant partially funds two Prosecuting Attorneys for the Domestic Violence and Stalking Unit of the City Attorney's Office. The Domestic Violence and Stalking Unit assists witnesses and victims of domestic violence through the legal process and provides counseling, referrals, and linkage with agencies and community resources.

Fiscal Impact:

The required matching funds of \$31,319.00 are included in the City Attorney's 2014 General Fund Budget.

Project period: 01/01/15 - 12/31/15

Federal Share: \$93,956.60

Matching funds: \$31,319.00

Total Grant Award: \$125,275.60

Emergency Designation:

Emergency action is requested to allow the grant activities to commence at the beginning of the grant period.

To authorize the acceptance of a grant from the Franklin County Board of Commissioners, Office of Homeland Security and Justice Programs, in the amount of Ninety-three Thousand Nine Hundred Fifty-six and 60/100 Dollars for the funding of the 2015 VAWA Domestic Violence Prosecutors program; to authorize the transfer of matching funds in the amount of Thirty-one Thousand Three Hundred Nineteen Dollars from the General Fund; to authorize the appropriation of total funds in the amount of One Hundred Twenty-five Thousand Two Hundred Seventy-five and 60/100 Dollars; and to declare an emergency. (\$125,275.60)

WHEREAS, the Franklin County Board of Commissioners, Office of Homeland Security and Justice Programs, has awarded the City of Columbus, City Attorney's Office, a grant in the amount of Ninety-three Thousand Nine Hundred Fifty-six and 60/100 Dollars (\$93,956.60) for the 2015 VAWA Domestic Violence Prosecutors Grant Program; and

WHEREAS, the acceptance of the grant requires matching funds in the amount of Thirty-one Thousand Three Hundred Nineteen Dollars (\$31,319.00); and

WHEREAS, the City Attorney desires to accept said grant award; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the daily operation of the city in that it is immediately necessary to accept and appropriate the grant award and to transfer and appropriate the matching funds in order that the services supported may commence at the beginning of the grant period 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 City Attorney is hereby authorized to accept a grant award in the amount Ninety-three Thousand Nine Hundred Fifty-six and 60/100 Dollars (\$93,956.60) from the Franklin County Board of Commissioners, Office of Homeland Security and Justice Programs, for the 2015 VAWA Domestic Violence Prosecutors Grant program.

SECTION 2. That the amount Thirty-one Thousand Three Hundred Nineteen Dollars (\$31,319.00) is hereby transferred as follows:

FROM: department 2401, general fund, fund number 010, organizational cost account 240119, object level one 01, object level three 1000.

TO: department 2401, general fund, fund number 010, organizational cost account 240119, object level one 10, object level three 5501.

FROM: department 2401, general fund, fund number 010, organizational cost account 240119, object level one 10, object level three 5501.

TO: department 2401, general government grant fund, fund 220, 2015 VAWA Domestic Violence Prosecutors Grant, grant number 241501, organizational cost account 241501, 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-five Thousand Two Hundred Seventy-five and 60/100 Dollars (\$125,275.60) is appropriated as follows: department 2401, fund 220, 2015 VAWA DV Prosecutors Grant, grant number 241501, organizational cost account 241501, object level three 1000.

SECTION 4. That funds appropriated 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. 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 6. That the funds necessary to carry out the purpose of this ordinance are deemed appropriated upon receipt of the executed grant agreement.

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.