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Legislation Text

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This ordinance authorizes the Mayor's Office to accept and appropriate \$256,587.00 in grant funds from the Solid Waste Authority of Central Ohio (SWACO) to continue the city's Environmental Stewardship program. This amount represents grant awards for years 2016 and 2017. SWACO has provided support for the Environmental Stewardship program (also known as the "Get Green" initiative) since 2006. The city and SWACO entered into a grant agreement in 2012 pursuant to ordinance number 0099-2012 to provide funding for the Environmental Stewardship program in 2012 and 2013. The city and SWACO again entered into an agreement in 2014 via ordinance number 0447-2014, which along with 0459-2015, provided funding to continue the program for 2014 and 2015.

The city's portion of this grant agreement totals \$471,043 for years 2016 and 2017. Subsequent legislation will be drafted and submitted for consideration in 2016 to transfer and appropriate the city's 2016 portion of this agreement from the various operating budgets in which it was budgeted to the general government grant fund where expenditures related to this program will post. The city's 2016 portion will come from both the Mayor's Office general fund 2016 budget and the Division of Water's 2016 operating budget.

EMERGENCY DESIGNATION

Emergency action is requested so as to make appropriation and funds available as soon as possible in support of the city's Environmental Stewardship program. These funds will be needed in order to make payroll for this program beginning in January 2016.

FISCAL IMPACT

The aforementioned grant funds will be awarded per the agreement between SWACO and the City of Columbus and are being appropriated as described in this ordinance. General and water operating fund moneys for the suggested city contribution have been budgeted in the 2016 Mayor's recommended budget and will be available for transfer and appropriation contingent upon passage of 2887-2015 and 2888-2015. Subsequent legislation will be drafted in 2016 to transfer and appropriate those funds into the government grant fund. The appropriation of this funding will be made upon passage of Council and receipt of a fully executed agreement by the City Auditor.

To authorize the acceptance of a grant totaling \$256,587.00 from the Solid Waste Authority of Central Ohio (SWACO) to continue the city's Environmental Stewardship program through 2017; to authorize the execution of a grant agreement between the city and SWACO; to appropriate \$256,587.00 in the general government grant fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$256,587.00).

WHEREAS, SWACO has provided support for the city's Environmental Stewardship program (also known as the "Get Green" initiative) since 2006; and

WHEREAS, the city and SWACO entered into a grant agreement ("Grant Agreement") in 2012 pursuant to ordinance number 0099-2012 to provide funding for the city's Environmental Stewardship program for 2012 and 2013; and

WHEREAS, the city and SWACO modified the 2012-2013 agreement in 2014 pursuant to 0447-2014 to provide for a continuation of this program in 2014 and 2015; and

WHEREAS, SWACO has agreed to continue to provide support in the way of grant funding for the city's Environmental Stewardship Program for 2016 and 2017; and

WHEREAS, the 2016 and 2017 grant award from SWACO totals \$256,587.00; and

WHEREAS, this ordinance accepts and appropriates the aforementioned grant from SWACO in the amount of \$256,587.00 upon receipt by the City Auditor of a fully executed agreement; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Mayor’s Office in that it is immediately necessary to authorize the continuation of the Environmental Stewardship program and to accept and appropriate funds in association with this continuation 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 Mayor is hereby authorized to accept a grant in the amount of \$256,587.00 from the Solid Waste Authority of Central Ohio (SWACO) and to execute a grant agreement to continue the city’s Environmental Stewardship program, also known as the “Get Green” Initiative, through 2017.

SECTION 2. That from the unappropriated funds in the General Government Grant Fund and from all funds estimated to come into said fund from any and all sources and unappropriated for any other purpose during the grant award period, the sum of Two Hundred Fifty Six Thousand Five Hundred Eighty Seven dollars and 00/100 (\$256,587.00) is hereby appropriated, upon receipt by the City Auditor of a fully executed agreement, as follows:

Department:	4001
Fund Name:	General Government Grant Fund
Fund No.:	220
Organizational Cost Account:	401600
Grant Name:	2016-2017 Get Green Initiative
Grant No.:	401600
Object Level Three:	1000- \$252,857
	2000- \$3,730
	Total: \$256,587

SECTION 3. That the funds appropriated shall be paid upon order of the Mayor’s Office 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 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 5. 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.