



# City of Columbus

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## Legislation Text

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### **BACKGROUND:**

This legislation authorizes the Director of the Department of Technology (DoT) to modify and extend a contract with WorldLingo Translations LLC (WorldLingo), for services that support international and multilingual public access to the city's web sites, via the internet. The contract provides for translation services that help facilitate effective internet services on a 24-hour; 7-day basis. It will continue the use of automated software that was implemented in December 2002 to translate Columbus web-site text into a variety of languages. This automated translation service enables the city to communicate effectively with a diverse local constituency and with potential business partners around the world. The city does not have the necessary resources and skill-sets available to provide the translation services.

The initial service offering was based on quarterly payments at a guaranteed price for a three-year period. This ordinance will provide funding for the final year of a three year agreement.

### **FISCAL IMPACT:**

During fiscal 2002 \$15,396.70 was expended through OARnet for startup fees and two quarterly coverage periods (six months total) beginning effective December 10, 2002 through May 31, 2003. An additional \$18,445.05 was encumbered and expended from fiscal 2003 funds to cover from June 1, 2003 through February 29, 2004. During fiscal year 2004, \$30,442.05 was expended with WorldLingo, yet \$24,593.40 was for services provided to support twelve months beginning March 1, 2004 through February 28, 2005. The amount of \$23,994.00 is available within the Department of Technology, information services fund, for the coverage period of March 1, 2005 through February 28, 2006.

### **EMERGENCY:**

There is an immediate need to modify and extend a contract with WorldLingo to maintain on-going support and to allow for uninterrupted daily operations.

**CONTRACT COMPLIANCE NUMBER:** 52-2386970      Expires: 05/30/2006

To authorize and direct the Director of the Department of Technology to modify and extend a contract with WorldLingo Translations LLC for the purchase of internet web-site translation services for the Department of Technology, Information Services Division, to authorize the expenditure of \$23,994.00 from the information services fund, and to declare an emergency. (\$23,994.00)

**WHEREAS**, this legislation authorizes the Director of the Department of Technology (DoT) to modify and extend a contract with WorldLingo Translations LLC (WorldLingo), for services that support international and multilingual public access to the city's web sites, via the internet; and

**WHEREAS**, the city does not have the necessary resources and skill-sets available to provide said website translation services; and

**WHEREAS**, without the renewal of this contract the city will lose the ability to provide website translation services to its departments, constituents and international business concerns supported by the Department of Technology; and

**WHEREAS**, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the city in that it is immediately necessary to modify and extend a contract with WorldLingo Translations LLC to continue vital web translation services and avoid any potential service interruption, and to authorize this expenditure or so much thereof as required, thereby preserving 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 Director of the Department of Technology be and is hereby authorized to modify and extend a contract for internet web-site translation services from WorldLingo Translations LLC, beginning March 1, 2005 through February 28, 2006, in the amount of \$23,994.00

**SECTION 2:** That the expenditure of \$23,994.00 or so much thereof as may be necessary is hereby authorized to be expended from:

**Div.:** 47-02|**Fund:** 514| **Subfund** 001|**OCA Code:** 470113|**Obj. Level 1:** 03|**Obj. Level 3:** 3369|**Amount:** \$23,994.00|

**SECTION 3:** 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.