

Legislation Text

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## .. Explanation

This legislation authorizes the Director of the Department of Education to modify Contract EL016315 with the Columbus State Community College for by extending the contract termination date from September 30, 2015 to September 30, 2017.

As the City works with private and public sectors to improve our economy and attract new jobs, our community understands the importance of preparing our citizens for the jobs of today and tomorrow. In 2013, the Columbus Education Commission (CEC) made several findings and recommendations regarding career readiness.

The City and Columbus State Community College have identified an important community need to focus career readiness efforts toward matching our unemployed and underemployed citizens with the jobs of today. In 2014, the City asked Columbus State to lead the initiative called FastPath. Fastpath was designed to identify and connect at-risk, underemployed, and unemployed adults to technical skills and employability training that will prepare them for the workplace. Under FastPath, Columbus State has worked with the Central Ohio Work Force Investment Corp. (COWIC), area employers, and other community partners to identify employment needs in the community and to develop workbased training programs administered through a range of services, including: recruitment, assessment, skills training, support services, job placement, job coaching, data collection, and program assessment.

This contract was awarded to Columbus State Community College pursuant to the relevant provisions of Chapter 329 relating to not-for-profit service contracts. Columbus State was selected as the service provider due to their extensive experience in providing work-based training programs, their ability to provide ancillary services to program participants, and their existing relationships with community stakeholders.

The Department of Education has already fully funded the program and will continue to administer this contract on behalf of the City. This ordinance authorizes the Department of Education to a modify Contract EL016315 with the Columbus State Community College by extending the contract.

Columbus State Community College, Contract Compliance Number: 31-0729591 Emergency action is requested so program activities can be completed without further delay.

FISCAL IMPACT: No additional funds are needed for this modification.

To authorize the Director of the Department of Education to modify the contract with Columbus State Community College to provide career readiness training for our City's unemployed and underemployed citizens, and to declare an emergency.

**WHEREAS,** the Director of the Department of Education desires to modify Contract EL016315 with Columbus State Community College by extending the contract from September 30, 2015 to September 30, 2017.; and

WHEREAS, this modification will allow Columbus State Community College to complete its goals; and

WHEREAS, no additional funds are needed to modify this agreement; and

**WHEREAS,** Columbus State Community College is the contractor best suited to provide this career readiness training and will do so under the FastPath program; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Education in that it is immediately necessary to modify the agreement with Columbus State Community College so program activities can be continued without further delay, all 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 Director of the Department of Education is hereby authorized to modify Contract EL014778 with Columbus State Community College by extending the term of the agreement to September 30, 2017.

**SECTION 2.** That this modification is made pursuant to Chapter 329 of the Columbus City Code.

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