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Legislation Text

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In 2006, the Solid Waste Authority of Central Ohio (SWACO) and the City of Columbus (hereafter referred to as the city) modified their joint transfer agreement such that the city received funds from SWACO to continue and expand its recycling and environmental stewardship efforts. This expanded effort was named the "Get Green" initiative. In 2009, the transfer agreement was twice again modified, resulting in the provision of additional funds to the city, and extensions to the program through 2010. The last agreement modification/fund provision occurred early in 2011, with the passage of ordinance 0121-2011, which provided an additional \$217,239.00 and extended the program through 2011.

This ordinance authorizes the extension of the "Get Green" initiative through December 31, 2013 and appropriates \$237,249.00 to the general government grant fund for this purpose. In a departure from past modifications, the city has agreed to fund 50 percent of the program in 2012 and 2013.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Until 2011, the "Get Green" program was funded entirely by moneys made available through negotiated modifications to the transfer agreement and leases between SWACO and the City of Columbus. In 2012 and 2013, the city agreed to fund 50 percent of program costs associated with the "Get Green" initiative. These funds are budgeted and available in the Mayor's 2012 proposed budget.

To authorize the Mayor to accept the award of \$237,249.00 from the Solid Waste Authority of Central Ohio to continue the "Get Green" initiative, to authorize the extension of the "Get Green" initiative through December 31, 2013, to appropriate \$237,249.00 from the unappropriated balance of the General Government Grant Fund to the Office of the Mayor, and to declare an emergency. (\$237,249.00)

WHEREAS, SWACO has agreed to provide 50 percent of the funds needed for the "Get Green" initiative through December 31, 2012 and 2013; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to accept and appropriate funds from SWACO before they can be used for operational purposes; and

WHEREAS, the City of Columbus has agreed to provide the balance needed to continue the program in 2012 and 2013; and

WHEREAS, funds are budgeted and available for costs associated with the "Get Green" initiative in the Mayor's proposed 2012 general fund budget to fund the balance of the program in 2012; and

WHEREAS, the city will identify and budget funds in 2013 to fund the balance of the program in that year as well; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Office of the Mayor in that it is necessary to authorize extension of the "Get Green" program and appropriate funds in association with said extension in order to preserve 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 Mayor be and he is hereby authorized and directed to extend the "Get Green" program through the end of calendar year 2013 and that he is hereby authorized and directed to accept commensurate funding associated with said program extension.

SECTION 2. That the commensurate funding associated with the "Get Green" program extension totals \$237,249.00 and is hereby appropriated, and that from the unappropriated monies in the General Government Grant Fund, Subfund No. 220, and from any and all sources estimated to come into said fund and unappropriated for any other purpose during the fiscal year ending December 31, 2013, the sum of \$237,249.00 is appropriated to the Mayor's Office, Division: 40-01, Fund 220, OCA Code:401201, Grant No. 401201, as follows:

OL3 - 1101:	\$212,249
OL3 - 2000:	5,000
OL3 - 3000:	<u>20,000</u>
Total:	\$237,249

SECTION 3. At the end of the grant period, any repayment of unencumbered balances required by the grantor is hereby authorized and any unused city match moneys may be transferred back to the city fund from which they originated in accordance with all applicable grant agreements.

SECTION 4. Funds necessary to carry out the purpose of this ordinance are hereby deemed appropriated.

SECTION 5. That the monies in Section 2 shall be paid upon order of the Mayor; 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 6. 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.