



# City of Columbus

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## Legislation Text

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### **BACKGROUND**

The purpose of this ordinance is to appropriate \$10,416 in the Neighborhood Initiative Fund to Columbus Public Health to enter into contracts with Compumeric Engineering (dba SECURR) and MedPro Waste for the purchase of needle disposal containers and maintenance of said containers. Columbus, along with other major cities, has been plagued by an opiate epidemic that is a crisis of unparalleled proportion, with devastating, often deadly consequences. A necessary component to combatting the negative effects of this epidemic, specifically the spread of infectious diseases, is the safe and sanitary disposal of needles and related materials. These needle containers will be strategically placed on the South and West sides of Columbus, and these contracts will allow funding for their ongoing maintenance for a period of three years. The contract with SECURR will cover the costs of two containers and shipping (\$2,496.00), while the contract with MedPro Waste will cover maintenance and disposal of waste (\$2,640.00 / yr over 3 years). Due to there not being sufficient time to obtain formal bids to satisfy the public need, it is necessary to waive the competitive bidding provisions of the Columbus City Codes in order to enter into these contracts. This ordinance authorizes the appropriation of \$10,416 to Columbus Public Health within the Neighborhood Initiative Fund.

**CONTRACT COMPLIANCE:** MedPro Waste - #27-2452391 (Active C.C.: expires 07/17/2019).  
Compumeric Engineering Inc (dba SECURR) - #33-0372483  
(Active C.C.: expires 7/20/2019)

**EMERGENCY DESIGNATION:** Emergency action is requested to ensure that Columbus Public Health has the sufficient amount of these supplies and services to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the residents of Columbus.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** Total cost of the contract is \$10,416 and is available in the 2017 budget within the Neighborhood Initiative Fund, Fund 1000-100018.

To authorize the appropriation of \$10,416.00 to Columbus Public Health in the Neighborhood Initiative Fund; to authorize the Board of Health to enter into contracts with Compumeric Engineering (dba SECURR) and MedPro Waste for the purchase of needle disposal containers and the maintenance of said containers; to authorize the expenditure of \$10,416.00; to waive the competitive bidding provisions of the Columbus City Codes; and to declare an emergency. (\$10,416.00)

**WHEREAS,** Columbus Public Health is part of a community-wide effort to address heroin and opiate use; and,

**WHEREAS,** the Board of Health has need for needle disposal containers and related maintenance services; and,

**WHEREAS,** this Council finds it in the City's best interest to waive the competitive bidding provisions of Chapter 329 of

the Columbus City Codes and to enter into contract with Compumeric Engineering (dba SECURR) and MedPro Waste in order to immediately provide these supplies and services; and

**WHEREAS**, \$10,416 is available in the Neighborhood Initiative Fund for appropriation to Columbus Public Health to provide for this need; and,

**WHEREAS**, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of Columbus Public Health, in that it is necessary to purchase these needed materials and services 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 from the unappropriated monies in the Neighborhood Initiative Fund, Fund No. 1000-100018, and from all monies estimated to come into said Fund from any and all sources during the twelve months ending December 31, 2017, the sum of \$10,416 is hereby appropriated to Columbus Public Health, Division No. 5001, per the account codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

**SECTION 2:** That the Board of Health is hereby authorized and directed to enter into contracts with Compumeric Engineering (dba SECURR) and MedPro Waste to provide needle disposal containers and related maintenance services in an amount not to exceed \$10,416.00.

**SECTION 3:** That to pay the costs of said contracts, the expenditure of \$10,416 from the Neighborhood Initiative Fund, Fund No. 1000-100018, is hereby authorized, per the account codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

**SECTION 4:** That the competitive bidding provisions of Chapter 329 of the Columbus City Codes are hereby waived for purposes of this ordinance.

**SECTION 5:** That the funds necessary to carry out the purpose of this ordinance are hereby deemed appropriated, and the City Auditor shall establish such accounting codes as necessary.

**SECTION 6:** That for reasons stated in the preamble hereto, which is hereby made a part hereof, this ordinance is 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.