



## Legislation Text

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**BACKGROUND:** The Neighborhood House Inc., had a rich history of service to the City of Columbus for over 106 years, and provided social service needs to the near eastside community. The closing of the Neighborhood House in late 2016 has left the Near East Community with limited programs and services to children, individuals, and families that include: child care services, alcohol and drug counseling, senior transportation, senior outings, computer classes, and food pantry access. This legislation authorizes the Director of the Department of Neighborhoods to enter into an agreement with the United Way of Central Ohio to complete a neighborhood assessment of social service needs in the Near East Community.

Emergency action is requested so that an assessment of the community needs can be made, thereby avoiding the continued interruption of services.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** This legislation transfers \$20,000.00 from the Department of Development to the Department of Neighborhoods within the general fund.

To authorize the Director of the Department of Neighborhoods to enter into an agreement with the United Way of Central Ohio to complete a neighborhood assessment of social service needs in the Near East Community; to transfer an appropriation in the amount of \$20,000.00 within the general fund; to authorize the expenditure of \$20,000.00; and to declare an emergency. (\$20,000.00).

**WHEREAS**, the Neighborhood House Inc., had a rich history of service to the City of Columbus for over 106 years, and provided social service needs to the near eastside community; and

**WHEREAS**, the closing of the Neighborhood House in late 2016 has left the Near East Community with limited programs and services to children, individuals, and families; and

**WHEREAS**, the United Way of Central Ohio, and the City of Columbus desire to enter into an agreement to complete a social service needs assessment of the Near East Community; and

**WHEREAS**, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Neighborhoods in that it is immediately necessary to authorize the Director to enter into an agreement with the United Way of Central Ohio to allow the United Way of Central Ohio to complete a social service assessment of the Near East Community, 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 Neighborhoods is hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with the United Way of Central Ohio to support the Near East needs assessment.

**SECTION 2.** That the transfer of appropriation in the amount of \$20,000.00 or so much thereof as may be needed, is hereby authorized from the Department of Development, Department 44 to the Department of Neighborhoods, Department 48 within Fund 1000 general fund per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

**SECTION 3.** That for the purpose stated in Section 1, the expenditure of \$20,000.00 or so much thereof as may be

necessary is hereby authorized in fund 1000 general fund, in Object Class 03 Contractual Services per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

**SECTION 4.** That this contract is awarded in accordance with the relevant provisions of City Code Chapter 329 relating to not-for-profit service contracts.

**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 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.