

Legislation Text

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BACKGROUND: Ordinance 0629-2012, passed March 26, 2012, authorized the Director of the Department of Development to enter into contracts with various nonprofit organizations to provide maintenance services for vacant parcels owned by the Columbus Land Bank Program. This ordinance amends 0629-2012 by removing Gladden Community House from the Community Land Care Program, adding Franklinton Development Association, and adding \$20,000 to the contracts. The transfer of the maintenance services is at the request of Gladden Community House.

Emergency action is required so these vital services can be made available immediately.

FISCAL IMPACT: \$20,000 has been allocated from the General Fund for this purpose.

To amend Ordinance 0629-2012 passed March 26, 2012, for the purpose of replacing Gladden Community House with Franklinton Development Association to provide maintenance services on vacant parcels owned by the Columbus Land Bank as part of the Community Land Care Program; to authorize the expenditure of \$20,000.00 from the General Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$20,000.00)

WHEREAS, Ordinance 0629-2012 passed March 26, 2012, authorized the Director of the Department of Development to establish contracts with five non-profit organizations to provide maintenance services on City owned vacant parcels under the Land Reutilization Program; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance 0629-2012 authorized the expenditure of \$130,000 and an additional \$20,000 is necessary to provide maintenance services until the 2013 growing season; and

WHEREAS, Council passed ordinance 2161-93, on October 25, 1993, as amended by 1325-98, on June 8, 1998, to authorize the adoption of a Land Reutilization Program under Ohio Revised Code Chapter 5722; and

WHEREAS, the City owns hundreds of vacant lots acquired under the Land Reutilization Program and desires to contract with various community based non-profit corporations to maintain and improve the lots; and

WHEREAS, such maintenance can not be performed by existing City Staff; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Development in that it is immediately necessary to amend said ordinance so these vital services can be made available immediately, 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 Section 1 of Ordinance 0629-2012, passed March 26, 2012, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 1. That the Development Director, or his designee, is authorized to enter into agreements with the Greater Linden Development Corporation, Franklinton Development Association, Central Community House, Community Development for All People, and Hilltop Christian Development Corporation to provide maintenance services for properties acquired under the Neighborhood Stabilization and Land Reutilization Programs.

Section 2. That the expenditure of \$20,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary from the Department of Development, Division No. 44-01, General Fund, Fund 010, Object Level One 03, Object Level Three 3354, OCA Code 440180 for the aforesaid purpose is hereby authorized.

Section 3. That these contracts are awarded pursuant to Section 329.15 of the Columbus City Codes, 1959 as amended.

Section 4. That for the reason 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 form and after its passage and approval by the Mayor, or ten days after passage if the Mayor neither approves nor vetoes the same.