



Legislation Text

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Background:

The Public Safety Department in cooperation with the City Attorney's Office has applied for a grant from the Franklin County Board of Commissioners for the VAWA Stalking Investigator Grant #2007-WF-VA6-V520. The funds shall be used to retain a Stalking Investigator who will work with the City Attorney's Domestic Violence unit to assist in the investigation of stalking cases, assist victims, and fill the liaison role with municipal police departments sharing information and maintaining data collection on stalking suspects. The Public Safety Department is the implementing agency and the City Attorney's Office will administer the grant.

The grant has been awarded by the Franklin County Board of Commissioners, and this legislation will authorize the Mayor to accept the grant on behalf of the Public Safety Department and will further authorize the transfer and appropriation of matching funds required by the grant award.

Emergency action is requested to allow the grant activities to commence on January 1, 2008.

Fiscal Impact:

The required matching funds of \$14,000.00 are included in the City Attorney's General Fund Budget.

Project period: 01/01/08 - 12/31/08

Federal Share: \$42,000.00

Matching funds: \$14,000.00

Total Grant: \$56,000.00

To authorize the acceptance of a grant from the Franklin County Board of Commissioners, Office of Homeland Security and Justice Programs, and the appropriation of grant funds in the amount of Forty-two Thousand Dollars (\$42,000.00) for the funding of the Stalking Investigation program; to authorize the transfer and appropriation of matching funds required by the acceptance of the grant in the amount of Fourteen Thousand Dollars (\$14,000.00); and to declare an emergency. (\$56,000.00)

WHEREAS, the Franklin County Board of Commissioners, Office of Homeland Security and Justice Programs, has awarded the City of Columbus, Department of Public Safety, a grant in the amount of Forty-two Thousand Dollars (\$42,000.00) for the Stalking Investigator Grant #2007-WF-VA6-V520 for the year 2008; and

WHEREAS, the acceptance of this grant requires the City supply matching funds in the amount of Fourteen Thousand Dollars (\$14,000.00); and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the daily operation of the City in that it is necessary to immediately accept and appropriate the grant funds and transfer and appropriate the matching funds, in order that the services supported may commence on January 1, 2008 and for the preservation of the public health, peace, property, safety and welfare, and, now therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, OHIO

SECTION 1. That the Mayor be and hereby is authorized to accept the Stalking Investigator Grant #2007-WF-VA6-V520 in the amount of Forty-two Thousand Dollars (\$42,000.00) from the Franklin County Board of Commissioners, Office of Homeland Security and Justice Programs.

SECTION 2. That the amount of Fourteen Thousand Dollars (\$14,000.00) is hereby transferred as follows:

FROM: department 2401, general fund, fund number 010, organizational cost account 240564, object level one 01, object level three

1101, \$5,495.00 and from organizational cost account 240101, object level one 02, object level two, \$8,505.00.

TO: department 2401, general fund, fund number 010, organizational cost account 240564, object level one 10, object level three 5501.

FROM: department 2401, general fund, fund number 010, object level one 10, object level three 5501, organizational cost account 240564.

TO: department 2401, Stalking Investigator Grant fund, grant number 246004, fund number 220, object level three 0886, organizational cost account 246004.

SECTION 3. That from the unappropriated monies in the General Government Grant Fund and from all monies estimated to come into said fund from any and all sources and unappropriated for any other purpose during the project award period the sum of Fifty-six Thousand Dollars (\$56,000.00) is appropriated as follows: department 2401, Stalking Investigator Grant, grant number 246004, fund number 220, organizational cost account 246004, object level three 1100 the amount of \$5,495.00 and object level three 3336 the amount of \$50,505.00.

SECTION 4. That funds appropriated in the foregoing Section 3 shall be paid upon order of the City Attorney 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 5. 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.