



Legislation Text

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BACKGROUND:

This ordinance authorizes the Franklin County Municipal Court Administrative and Presiding Judge to enter into a contract for security guard services in the Municipal Court building with Willo Security, Inc. (Willo). Since 2003 Franklin County Municipal Court has been contracting with Willo Security for security guard services in the Municipal Court Building. The continuation of security services in the Municipal Court Building located at 375 S. High Street, is absolutely necessary for the safety and well being of the employees and the general public. The Franklin County Municipal Court requests that the provisions of competitive bidding requirements of Chapter 329, Columbus City Codes be waived in order enter into contract with Willo Security.

Contract Compliance Number: Willo Security, Inc. 34-1808997

EMERGENCY ACTION is requested in order to continue uninterrupted services.

FISCAL IMPACT: This expenditure is contingent on passage of the 2008 budget. The amount for the expenditure is budgeted and available within the Court's 2008 security fund budget.

To authorize the Franklin County Municipal Court Judges, through the Administrative and Presiding Judge, to enter into a contract with Willo Security, Inc. for the provision of security guard services in the Municipal Court building; to authorize the expenditure of \$300,000 from the Municipal Court special projects fund; to waive the provisions of competitive bidding; and to declare an emergency. (\$300,000.00)

WHEREAS, the continuation of security services in the Municipal Court building is imperative for the safety and well-being of the building employees and the general public; and

WHEREAS, the Franklin County Municipal Court Judges desire to engage in a contract with Willo Security, Inc. for security guard services in the Municipal Court building; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to authorize the Administrative and Presiding Judge to enter into a contract for security services with Willo Security, Inc. effective February 1, 2008 ending January 31, 2009, so as to continue the daily operation of the court, and for other tenants within the court building; and

WHEREAS, the Administrative and Presiding Judge of the Franklin County Municipal Court recommends the waiver of the competitive bidding requirements of Chapter 329, Columbus City Codes; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Franklin County Municipal Court Judges in that it is immediately necessary to enter into said contract and authorize expenditures with Willo Security, Inc., so as to continue uninterrupted services in the provision of contractual security guard services within the Municipal Court building, for the preservation of the public health, peace, safety, and welfare; now therefore,

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

SECTION 1. That the Franklin County Municipal Court Judges, through the Administrative and Presiding Judge, be and is hereby authorized to enter into a contract with Willo Security, Inc., for security guard services in the Municipal Court building from the period of February 1, 2008 through January 31, 2009.

SECTION 2. That the expenditure of \$300,000.00, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is authorized to be expended from the Municipal Court special revenue fund, fund number 226, subfund number 001, department number 2501, oca code 226100, object level 1 - 03, object level 3 -3398, to pay the costs thereof.

SECTION 3. That for the reasons stated, the Columbus City Council finds it is in the best interest of the Franklin County Municipal Court Judges to waive all provisions of the Columbus City Codes related to competitive bidding.

SECTION 4. That for the 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.