



Legislation Text

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BACKGROUND: Since 1974, the Columbus Health Department has provided primary health care services to the needy through contracts with community-based health centers. Since 1998, the Columbus Health Department has contracted with the Columbus Neighborhood Health Center, Inc. (CNHC), a not-for-profit corporation, to provide primary health care services to medically indigent patients at five neighborhood health centers. CNHC's Contract Compliance No. is 311533908. This ordinance will authorize the funding for all centers for the period of January 1, 2008 through December 31, 2008. This ordinance waives competitive bidding provisions of the City Code. Emergency action is requested in order to ensure timely payments to the Contractor.

FISCAL IMPACT: Funding for this contract is budgeted in the 2008 Health Special Revenue Fund.

To authorize and direct the Board of Health to enter into a contract with Columbus Neighborhood Health Center, Inc. to provide primary health care services at community-based health centers; to authorize the expenditure of \$5,379,260 from the Health Special Revenue Fund; to waive the provisions of competitive bidding; and to declare an emergency. (\$5,379,260)

WHEREAS, the City of Columbus seeks to ensure primary health care services through various neighborhood health centers; and,

WHEREAS, it is necessary to contract with the Columbus Neighborhood Health Center, Inc. for the management and operations of the five neighborhood health centers; and,

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Health Department in that it is immediately necessary to enter into a contract with Columbus Neighborhood Health Center, Inc. for the immediate preservation of the public health, peace, property, safety and welfare, and to avoid any delays in client services; Now, therefore,

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

SECTION 1. That the Board of Health is hereby authorized to enter into a contract with Columbus Neighborhood Health Center, Inc. for the provision of primary health care services through various neighborhood health centers from January 1, 2008 through December 31, 2008.

SECTION 2. That to pay the cost of said contract, the expenditure of \$5,379,260 is hereby authorized from the Health Special Revenue Fund, Fund No. 250, Department of Health, Department No. 50-01, Object Level One 03, Object Level Three 3337, OCA No. 503219.

SECTION 3. That the provisions of Sections 329.13 and 329.14 of the Columbus City Code are hereby waived.

SECTION 4. That for 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.