



Legislation Text

File #: 2868-2013, Version: 1

Background:

This legislation will authorize the City Attorney to accept a grant from the Franklin County Board of Commissioners, Office of Homeland Security and Justice Programs, for the 2014 Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) Stalking Investigator Grant. It will authorize the transfer of the required matching funds and the appropriation and expenditure of funds to carry out the program.

This ordinance will further authorize the City Attorney to enter into a contract with Secure Investigative Solutions LLC for the services of a stalking investigator who will assist victims and fill a liaison role with police departments within Franklin County, sharing information and maintaining data collection on stalking suspects and will authorize the waiver of competitive procurement provisions.

Fiscal Impact:

The required matching funds of \$16,340.67 are included in the City Attorney's 2013 General Fund Budget.

Project period: 01/01/14 - 12/31/14

Federal Share: \$49,022.42

Matching funds: \$16,340.67

Total Grant: \$65,363.09

Grant Period: 01/01/14 - 12/31/14.

Emergency Designation:

Emergency action is requested to allow the grant activities to commence at the beginning of the grant period of 01/01/14.

Contract Compliance Number:

Secure Investigative Solutions LLC 45-4454681-001 ACT expires 03/06/14

To authorize the acceptance of a grant award from the Franklin County Board of Commissions, Offices of Homeland Security and Justice Programs, for the 2014 VAWA Stalking Investigator Grant program in the amount of Forty-nine Thousand Twenty-two and 42/100 Dollars; to authorize the transfer of matching funds in the amount of Sixteen Thousand Three Hundred Forty and 67/100 Dollars from the General fund; to authorize the appropriation and expenditure of grant funds in the total amount of Sixty-five Thousand Three Hundred Sixty-three and 09/100 Dollars; to authorize the City Attorney to enter into a contract with Secure Investigative Services LLC for services under the grant; to waive the competitive procurement provisions of the Columbus City Codes; and to declare an emergency. (\$65,363.09)

WHEREAS, the Franklin County Board of Commissioners, Office of Homeland Security and Justice Programs, awarded the City of Columbus, City Attorney's Office, a grant in the amount of Forty-nine Thousand Twenty-two and 42/100 Dollars (\$49,022.42) for the 2014 VAWA Stalking Investigator Grant #2013-WF-VA6-V520; and

WHEREAS, the acceptance of the grant award requires matching funds in the amount Sixteen Thousand Three Hundred Forty and 67/100 Dollars (\$16,340.67); and

WHEREAS, the City Attorney would like to enter into a contract with Secure Investigative Solutions LLC for the services of a stalking investigator pursuant to said grant award; and

WHEREAS, in order to provide stalking investigative services to the public as soon as possible it is necessary to waive the purchasing procurement provisions of the Columbus City Code as they apply to this contract; and,

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the City Attorney's Office in that it is immediately necessary to authorize the acceptance of the grant award, the contract with Security Investigative Services LLC, the waiver of the competitive bidding requirements, and the transfer, appropriation and expenditure of funds in order that the activities supported may commence and for the preservation of the public health, peace, property, safety and welfare; now therefore,

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

SECTION 1. That the City Attorney is hereby authorized to accept a grant award in the amount of Forty-nine Thousand Twenty-two and 42/100 Dollars from the Franklin County Board of Commissioners, Office of Homeland Security and Justice Programs, for the 2014 VAWA Stalking Investigator grant program.

SECTION 2. That the amount Sixteen Thousand Three Hundred Forty and 67/100 Dollars (\$16,340.67) is hereby transferred as follows:

FROM: department 2401, general fund, fund number 010, organizational cost account 240101, object level one 03, object level three 3336.

TO: department 2401, general fund, fund number 010, organizational cost account 240101, object level one 10, object level three 5501.

FROM: department 2401, general fund, fund number 010, organizational cost account 240101, object level one 10, object level three 5501.

TO: department 2401, general government grant fund, fund 220, 2014 Stalking Investigator Grant, grant number 241401, organizational cost account 241401, object level three 0886.

SECTION 3. That the City Attorney is hereby authorized to enter into a contract with Secure Investigative Solutions LLC to provide stalking investigative services for the maximum amount of Sixty-five Thousand Three Hundred Sixty-three and 09/100 Dollars (\$65,363.09) .

SECTION 4. That the provisions of Columbus City Codes Chapter 329 relative to the procurement of professional services are hereby waived.

SECTION 5. 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 Sixty-five Thousand Three Hundred Sixty-three and 09/100 Dollars (\$65,363.09) is appropriated as follows: department 2401, fund number 220, 2014 VAWA Stalking Investigator Grant, grant number 241401, organizational cost account 241401, object level three 3336.

SECTION 6. That funds appropriated 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 7. That at the end of the grant period, any repayment of unencumbered balances required by the grantor is hereby authorized and any unused City match monies may be transferred back to the City fund from which they originated in accordance with all applicable grant agreements.

SECTION 8. That the funds necessary to carry out the purpose of this ordinance are deemed appropriated upon receipt of the executed grant agreement.

SECTION 9. 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.