



Legislation Text

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Background: In February 2012 Mayor Michael B. Coleman announced a program to fight vacant and abandoned properties that includes a plan to aggressively target and demolish blighted structures. Ordinance 1633-2012 authorized the Director of Development to enter into contracts with various contractors to provide asbestos remediation and demolition services under the program. This legislation authorizes a contract amendment with B & B Wrecking (contract compliance number 743060207, expiration 10/2/2015) to increase the contract amount by \$44,742.90 for a new contract total of \$344,742.90. The contract increase will allow demolitions to continue.

Fiscal Impact: Funds are available within the General Government Grant Fund, Moving Ohio Forward Grant.

Emergency Justification: Emergency action is requested in order to continue the work and demolish structures without interruption.

To authorize the Director of the Department of Development to modify and increase the contract with B & B Wrecking for the provision of asbestos abatement services and demolition services on vacant structures within the municipal boundaries of the City of Columbus; to authorize the expenditure of \$44,742.90 from the General Government Grant Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$44,742.90)

WHEREAS, Mayor Michael B. Coleman announced the Vacant and Abandoned Properties Initiative, a comprehensive plan to address vacant and abandoned properties that includes a goal to demolish hundreds of structures over the next four years; and

WHEREAS, various City offices are implementing the demolition portion of the program, including the targeting of vacant and abandoned properties through tax foreclosure and seeking authorization to demolish blighted properties from the Environmental Section of the Franklin County Municipal Court; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Development desires to increase the agreement with B & B Wrecking for demolition and asbestos abatement services for a total of up to \$44,742.90; and

WHEREAS, funds are available in the General Government Grant Fund; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Development in that it is immediately necessary to amend the contract with B & B Wrecking in order to continue to demolish blighted structures without interruption, 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 the Director of the Department of Development is hereby authorized to modify and increase contract

EL013510 with B & B Wrecking (contract compliance number 743060207, expiration 10/2/2015) for the provision of asbestos abatement services and demolition services on vacant structures within the municipal boundaries of the City of Columbus.

Section 2. That for the purpose stated in Section 1, the expenditure of \$44,742.90 from the Development Department, Division No. 44-01, Fund 220, Grant 441205, Object Level One 03, Object Level Three 3292, OCA Code 441205 is hereby authorized.

Section 3. That this contract modification is awarded in accordance with Chapter 329.16 of the Columbus City Codes, 1959.

Section 4. 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 5. That the funds necessary to carry out the purpose of this ordinance are hereby deemed appropriated, and the City Auditor shall establish such accounting codes as necessary.

Section 6. 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 passage and approval by the Mayor or ten days after its passage if the Mayor neither approves nor vetoes the same.