

City of Columbus

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Legislation Text

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Background: The Columbus Landmarks Foundation has proposed establishment of a Heritage Home Program in the City of Columbus. Columbus Landmarks is a nonprofit organization that advocates for, promotes and preserves Columbus landmarks and neighborhoods. The Heritage Home Program, currently used in several communities in northeastern Ohio, provides low interest loans and technical assistance to current and potential home owners seeking to rehabilitate older homes. Eligible Columbus properties would be at least fifty years (50 yrs.) old, thereby serving to save and protect the City's contributing architectural past.

This legislation authorizes the Director of the Department of Development to enter into contract with the Columbus Landmarks Foundation (CC# 31-0914612, expiration date: 3/28/2015) to manage the Heritage Home Program in Columbus for a period of two-years. The total contract cost is \$150,000, at \$75,000 per year. This funding covers operational costs rather than serving as loan funds. Upon completion of the initial two-year program, the Department of Development will evaluate the program for consideration of additional funding support in 2016.

Emergency action is necessary to allow vital program services to begin as soon as possible.

Fiscal Impact: Funds for this contract are budgeted within the Jobs Growth Fund.

To authorize the Director of the Department of Development to enter into contract with the Columbus Landmarks Foundation for services associated with the management of the Heritage Home Program in Columbus; to authorize the appropriation and expenditure of \$150,000.00 from the Jobs Growth Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$150,000.00)

WHEREAS, this legislation authorizes the Director of the Department of Development to enter into contract with the Columbus Landmarks Foundation for services associated with the establishment of the Heritage Home Program; and

WHEREAS, this program will allow the City to prepare, monitor, and process the contract for the program established to repair and maintain historic housing stock; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Development, in that it is necessary to enter into contract with the Columbus Landmarks Foundation to allow vital program services to begin as soon as possible, thereby preserving the public health, peace, property, safety, and welfare; and 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 enter into a contract with the Columbus Landmarks Foundation (CC# 310914612, expiration date: 3/28/2015) in the amount of \$150,000.00 for services associated with the Heritage Home Program.

Section 2. That from the unappropriated monies in the Jobs Growth Fund, Fund 015 and from all monies estimated

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to come into said fund from any all sources for the period ending December 31, 2014, the sum of \$150,000.00 is hereby appropriated to the Department of Development, Division 44-06, Object Level One-03, Object Level Three-3336, OCA Code 446015.

- **Section 3.** That for the purpose stated in Section 1, the expenditure of \$150,000.00 or so much thereof as may be necessary, be and is hereby authorized to be expended from the Jobs Growth Fund, Fund 015, Department of Development, Planning Division, Division 44-06, Object Level One-03, Object Level Three-3336, OCA Code 446015.
- **Section 4.** 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 5. That this contract is awarded pursuant to Section 329.15 of the Columbus City Codes, 1959 as amended.
- **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 its passage and approval by the Mayor, or ten days after passage if the Mayor neither approves nor vetoes the same.