



Legislation Text

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BACKGROUND: This legislation authorizes the Director of Development to enter into contract with the South Central Ohio Minority Supplier Development Council (SCOMSDC). Founded in 1972, SCOMSDC is an affiliate of the National Minority Supplier Development Council (NMSDC) and is dedicated to providing a direct link between Minority Business Enterprises (MBEs) and its corporate members, while promoting economic inclusion and entrepreneurship. With offices in Cincinnati, Columbus and Dayton, SCOMSDC has over 150 corporate members and 500 certified MBEs. SCOMSDC serves as a supply chain locator service, and provides MBE certification for over 150 corporations.

The MBE Academy provides a tailored suit approach to cultivating and strengthening MBE business relationships and day-to-day operations. Each business will go through an operational assessment to determine the health of their business. The MBE Academy focuses on the growth of the competitiveness of these targeted minority businesses by providing hands on individualized organizational assessments and strategically connect them to corporate/government opportunities.

FISCAL IMPACT: This legislation authorizes the expenditure of \$60,000 from the Jobs Growth Fund.

Emergency action is requested to ensure the South Central Ohio Minority Business Development Council continues to offer programming without interruption.

To authorize the Director of the Department of Development to enter into contract with the South Central Ohio Minority Supplier Development Council for the purpose of supporting the MBE Academy; to authorize the appropriation and expenditure of \$60,000.00 from the Jobs Growth Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$60,000.00)

WHEREAS, the South Central Ohio Minority Supplier Development Council (SCOMSDC) was formed in 1972 as an affiliate of the National Minority Supplier Development Council and is dedicated to providing a direct link between Minority Business Enterprises (MBEs) and its corporate members, while promoting economic inclusion and entrepreneurship; and

WHEREAS, SCOMSDC has offices in Cincinnati, Columbus and Dayton with over 150 corporate members and 500 certified MBEs; and

WHEREAS, SCOMSDC serves as a supply chain location service, and provides MBE certification for 150 corporations; and

WHEREAS, SCOMSDC operates the MBE Academy that provides a tailored suit approach to cultivating and strengthening MBE business relationships and day-to-day operations; and

WHEREAS, the City of Columbus, the Department of Development, and the Economic Development Division wishes to assist SCOMSDC and is desirous of entering into contract for the purpose of continuing to supporting the MBE Academy; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Development, in that it is

immediately necessary to enter into contract with the South Central Ohio Minority Business Development Council for the purpose of continuing program services without interruption, thereby preserving 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 enter into contract with the South Central Ohio Minority Supplier Development Council for the purpose of supporting the MBE Academy.

SECTION 2. That from the unappropriated monies in the Jobs Growth Fund, Fund 015, and from all monies estimated to come into said Fund from any and all sources for the period ending December 31, 2014, the sum of \$60,000.00 is hereby appropriated to the Department of Development, Division 44-02, Object Level One-03, Object Level Three-3337, OCA Code 440215.

SECTION 3. That for the purpose stated in Section 1, the expenditure of \$60,000.00 or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby authorized to be expended from the Jobs Growth Fund, Fund 015, Department of Development, Division 44-02, Object Level One- 03, Object Level Three- 3337, OCA Code 440215.

SECTION 4. That this contract is awarded pursuant to Section 329.15 of the Columbus City Codes, 1959 as amended.

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