



Legislation Text

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Background: This legislation authorizes the Director of Development to enter into contract with The Central Ohio Workforce Investment Corporation (COWIC) for the purpose of administering workforce development programs and services. COWIC is a one stop employment service provider. The mission is to meet the employment needs of businesses and job seekers to support economic development in Central Ohio. The mission will be achieved by focusing on four key areas. These four areas include people, program, processes and performance. The organization is responsible for determining policy on a variety of workforce issues, recommending certification of training programs for providers and ensuring that the Central Ohio's labor supply is prepared to meet the needs of local employers now and in the future.

Fiscal Impact: \$50,000 in the 2014 General Fund budget has been allocated for support of the Central Ohio Workforce Investment Corporation.

To authorize the Director of Development to enter into contract with the Central Ohio Workforce Investment Corporation for the administration of workforce development programs and services; to authorize the expenditure of \$50,000.00 from the General Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$50,000.00)

WHEREAS, the Central Ohio Workforce Investment Corporation (COWIC) is responsible for determining policy on a variety of workforce issues, recommending certification of training programs for providers and ensuring that the Central Ohio's labor force supply is prepared to meet the needs of local employers now and in the future; and

WHEREAS, the mission of COWIC is to meet employment needs of businesses and job seekers to support economic development in Central Ohio; and

WHEREAS, COWIC will focus on four key areas to achieve the mission; and

WHEREAS, the four key areas of focus are: people, programs, processes and performance; and

WHEREAS, COWIC has provided great employment services to job seekers and businesses in the Columbus and surrounding communities; and

WHEREAS, the City, the Department of Development, and the Economic Development Division wishes to assist COWIC and is desirous of entering into contract for the purpose of continuing to provide workforce development programs and services; and

WHEREAS, emergency action is requested to allow COWIC to continue to administer the workforce development programs and services without interruption; 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 Central Ohio Workforce Investment Corporation; 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 Development Director is hereby authorized and directed to enter into contract with The Central Ohio Workforce Investment Corporation for the administration of workforce development programs and services.

SECTION 2. That for the purpose stated in Section 1, the expenditure of \$50,000.00 or so much thereof as may be necessary is hereby authorized to be expended from the Development Department, Economic Development Division, Division 44-02, General Fund, Fund 010, Object Level One- 03, Object Level Three- 3337, OCA Code 440314.

SECTION 3. That the funds necessary to carry out the purpose of this ordinance are hereby deemed appropriated.

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

SECTION 5. 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 passage if the Mayor neither approves nor vetoes the same.