



## Legislation Text

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**BACKGROUND:** This legislation authorizes the expenditure of \$23,589 for a Brownfield grant award pursuant to the Green Columbus Fund, a grant program administered by the Department of Development and authorized by Ordinance 1931-2012.

The Green Columbus Fund represents the City's commitment to foster sustainable building through LEED certification and to foster sustainable Brownfield assessment and redevelopment. The program will produce economic, environmental and social benefits for Columbus and its residents.

This legislation authorizes the Director of Development to enter into a grant agreement with Community Development for All People for Brownfield assessment and redevelopment of the site at 683-691 Parsons Ave., subject to the project attaining Brownfield assessment and redevelopment goals of the program, and meeting the other terms and conditions of the agreement. It also authorizes the expenditure of up to \$23,589 for this purpose.

Funding is needed to reimburse the Grantee for a Phase II Environmental Site Assessment and for asbestos abatement under Physical Phase II.

Emergency action is requested so that Brownfield assessment can proceed promptly.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** Funding is from the Green Columbus Fund portion of the 2014 Capital Improvements Budget.

To authorize the Director of the Department of Development to enter into a grant agreement with Community Development for All People for Brownfield assessment and redevelopment of the site located at 683-691 Parsons Ave., pursuant to the Green Columbus Fund Program; to authorize the expenditure of up to \$23,589.00 from the Northland and Other Acquisitions Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$23,589.00)

**WHEREAS,** the Department of Development administers from city bond proceeds the Green Columbus Fund, a grant program authorized by Ordinance 1931-2012; and

**WHEREAS,** the Green Columbus Fund represents the City's commitment to foster sustainable building through LEED certification and to foster sustainable Brownfield assessment and redevelopment, in order to produce economic, environmental and social benefits for Columbus and its residents; and

**WHEREAS,** the applicant has applied under the Brownfield assessment and redevelopment component of this program, the purpose of which is to encourage proper and productive use of the site, and the application has been approved by the Department of Development; and

**WHEREAS,** this legislation authorizes the Director of Development to enter into a grant agreement with Community Development for All People for Brownfield assessment and redevelopment of the site at 683-691 Parsons Ave., subject to the project attaining Brownfield assessment and redevelopment goals of the program, and meeting the other terms and conditions of the agreement; and

**WHEREAS**, this Brownfield assessment project consists of a Phase II Environmental Site Assessment and asbestos abatement under Physical Phase II for the site at 683-691 Parsons Ave., and this \$23,589 Green Columbus Fund Brownfield Grant is required for that purpose; and

**WHEREAS**, funding is available under the Green Columbus Fund in the Northland and Other Acquisitions Fund 735; and

**WHEREAS**, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Development in that it is immediately necessary to enter into the grant agreement with Community Development for All People, so assessment can proceed in a timely manner, all for the immediate preservation of the public health, peace, 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 a grant agreement with Community Development for All People for Brownfield assessment and redevelopment under the Green Columbus Fund Program for the site located at 683-691 Parsons Avenue.

**SECTION 2.** That for the purpose as stated in Section 1, the expenditure of \$23,589 or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby authorized from the Department of Development, Division 44-01, Northland and Other Acquisitions Fund, Fund 735, Project 441749-100001, Object Level One 06, Object Level Three 6617, OCA Code 754151.

**SECTION 3.** 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 4.** That the City Auditor is authorized to make any accounting changes to revise the funding source for all contracts or contract modifications associated with this ordinance.

**SECTION 5.** That the City Auditor is hereby authorized to transfer the unencumbered balance in a project account to the unallocated balance account within the same fund upon receipt of certification by the Director of the Department administering said project that the project has been completed and the monies are no longer required for said project.

**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.