

Legislation Text

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**BACKGROUND:** This legislation authorizes the Director of the Department of Development to enter into a contract with Franklin County Public Health, for lead based paint testing, risk assessments, healthy homes assessments, work specification preparation and final clearance testing on up to 275 units, for the Lead Safe Columbus Program. The contract will provide \$120,000 from the Lead Hazard Reduction Demonstration grant fund awarded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The time period of the contract will be established from March 1, 2015 through November 30, 2017. This aligns within the time period of the Lead Hazard Reduction Demonstration grant agreement with HUD.

Franklin County Public Health (contract compliance #31-6400067, expires 1/9/2017) was selected as a Lead Safe Columbus program contractor as a result of a competitive bidding process directed by the City's Purchasing Division and Lead Safe Columbus.

Lead Safe Columbus provides grants to qualified property owners in order to remove lead based hazards in owner and tenant occupied units.

This legislation is presented in an effort to increase the productivity for creating lead safe housing units, the numbers of which will increase as we meet the targets of our lead grant and comply with the Title X Federal regulations, which took affect September 15, 2000.

Emergency action is necessary to allow for lead hazard control projects to begin in order to comply with the HUD grant timelines and requirements.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** \$120,000 is available in the General Government Grant Fund from a 2014 Lead Hazard Reduction Demonstration lead grant from HUD.

To authorize the Director of the Department of Development to enter into a contract with Franklin County Public Health to support the Lead Safe Columbus Program; to authorize the expenditure of \$120,000.00 from the General Government Grant Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$120,000.00)

**WHEREAS**, the Director of the Department of Development desires to enter into a contract with Franklin County Public Health; and

WHEREAS, Franklin County Public Health will perform lead based paint testing, risk assessments, healthy homes assessments, work specs and final clearance testing under this contract for the Lead Safe Columbus Program; and

WHEREAS, the time period of the contract will be established from March 1, 2015 through December 1, 2017; and

WHEREAS, the Lead Safe Columbus Program provides grants to qualified property owners in order to remove lead based paint hazards in owner and tenant occupied housing units; and

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WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Development, Housing Division, in that it is immediately necessary to enter into a contract with Franklin County Public Health to allow for lead hazard control projects to begin in order to comply with the HUD grant timelines and requirements, thereby preserving the public peace, health, 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 Franklin County Public Health for lead based paint testing, risk assessments, healthy homes assessments, work specs and final clearance testing with the Lead Safe Columbus Program.

**SECTION 2.** That for the purpose as stated in Section 1, the expenditure of \$120,000 or so much thereof as may be necessary from the Department of Development, Housing Division, Department 44-10, Fund 220, Grant 441403, Object Level One 03, Object Level Three 3336, OCA 441403.

**SECTION 3.** That this contract is awarded in accordance with the relevant provisions of City Code Chapter 329 relating to competitive bidding.

**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 in the reasons stated in the preamble hereto, which is hereby made a part thereof, this Ordinance is 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.