



Legislation Text

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1. BACKGROUND

Special Assistance Grants are available on a competitive basis from the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for 2016. The purpose of these awards is to support recycling, recycling market development and litter prevention activities.

The Department of Public Service intends to apply for said grant monies for use by the Division of Refuse Collection for litter control and scrap tire disposal. The Ohio EPA requires that a designated official be authorized to execute a grant agreement and administer those funds consequential to a grant award. This legislation will authorize the Director of Public Service to formally apply for Ohio EPA 2016 special assistance grants and, if selected, accept awards on behalf of the Department of Public Service, authorize the expenditure of the funds, and administer the funds in accordance with the conditions of the award.

2. FISCAL IMPACT

Approval of this legislation will allow the Department of Public Service to apply for grant awards from the Ohio EPA. No local match is required from the city at this time. A local match of at least 10% will be required if awarded a grant.

3. EMERGENCY DESIGNATION

Emergency action is requested to allow the Department of Public Service to apply for 2016 special assistance grants from the Ohio EPA and to accept and expend those funds in accordance with the conditions of that award.

To authorize the Director of Public Service to apply for 2016 special assistance grants from the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency; to authorize the Director of Public Service to execute a grant agreement providing for the acceptance and administration of said grant award on behalf of the City of Columbus Department of Public; to authorize the Director of Public Service to expend those funds in accordance with the conditions of any grant award; and to declare an emergency. (\$0.00)

WHEREAS, Special Assistance Grants are awarded on a competitive basis by the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of these awards is to support recycling, recycling market development and litter prevention activities; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Service intends to apply for grant monies from the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency to fund litter control and scrap tire disposal; and

WHEREAS, the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency requires that a designated official be authorized to execute a grant agreement with the agency and administer those funds consequential to a grant award; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists within the Department of Public Service in that it is immediately necessary to authorize the Director of Public Service to apply for and, if awarded, accept grant monies from the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency as soon as possible, 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 Public Service be and is hereby authorized to apply to the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency for 2016 special assistance grants, to accept said grant, if awarded, and to execute a grant agreement and any other documents necessary to effectuate said application, acceptance and agreement on behalf of the Department of Public Service.

SECTION 2. 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.