



Legislation Text

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BACKGROUND:

This ordinance authorizes the Administrative and Presiding Judge of the Franklin County Municipal Court to enter into the third year of a four-year contract (pursuant to bid proposal number SA005196) with Behavioral Science Specialists, LLC, for competency evaluations and examinations of the mental health status of certain defendants that come before the Court. Prior legislation erroneously identified this contract as a three-year term.

Behavioral Science Specialists, LLC federal tax id is 20-0982368. They are in the process of updating their compliance.

FISCAL IMPACT: The amount of \$110,000.00 is budgeted and available for this purpose within the Franklin County Municipal Court's 2016 general fund appropriations. This contract is to expire 3/31/17.

To authorize the Administrative and Presiding Judge of the Franklin County Municipal Court to enter into the third year of a four-year contract with Behavioral Science Specialists, LLC, for the provision of competency evaluations and mental health examinations of defendants; to authorize the expenditure of an amount not to exceed \$110,000.00 from the general fund. (\$110,000.00)

WHEREAS, it is necessary to authorize the Administrative and Presiding Judge to enter into the third year of a four year contract with Behavioral Science Specialists, LLC to secure the continued provision of competency evaluations and mental health examinations of certain defendants for the protection of their constitutional rights; and

WHEREAS, funds in the amount of up to \$110,000.00 are budgeted and available within the Franklin County Municipal Court's 2016 appropriations for this contract; and

WHEREAS, it has become necessary in the usual daily operation of the Franklin County Municipal Court to authorize the Administrative and Presiding Judge to enter into the third year of the contract and to authorize the expenditures to Behavioral Science Specialists, LLC so that the court can continue uninterrupted payments to the vendor, and for the preservation of the public health, peace, safety, and welfare; now, therefore;

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS:

Section 1. That the Administrative and Presiding Judge of the Franklin County Municipal Court be and is hereby authorized to enter into the third year of a four-year contract with Behavioral Science Specialists, LLC for the provision of competency evaluations and mental health examination of certain defendants.

Section 2. That the expenditure of \$110,000.00, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is authorized from the Franklin County Municipal Court, see attachment.

Section 3. That this ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

