



## Legislation Text

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**BACKGROUND:** The Greater Linden Development Corporation (GLDC), formed in 1994, is a 501© 3 non-profit organization. It was created as a direct result of the resident involvement in determining the future of Linden through the South Linden Development Project conducted by Downtown Columbus, Inc. GLDC has continuously worked to revitalize the Linden community and improve the quality of life for area residents and businesses.

The organization has a comprehensive strategy which incorporates initiatives in the following areas: business and economic development, housing, community development, planning and coordination and community safety and beautification. The organization is the area's primary coordinator of long-term planning and economic development. GLDC is a collaborative organization that works with various organizations and representatives in the community to bring the expertise, experience and knowledge to successfully achieve community and economic development. The organization also serves as the liaison in the community for the Neighborhood Commercial Revitalization Area. The City of Columbus has partnered with GLDC to provide business and economic development services to the Linden area.

Emergency action is required to allow the above activities to continue without interruption.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** \$28,753.00 has been allocated from the 2016 CDBG Fund budget for this purpose.

To authorize the Director of the Department of Development to enter into a contract with the Greater Linden Development Corporation for costs associated with revitalization efforts in the Greater Linden Area; to authorize the expenditure of \$28,753.00 from the Community Development Block Grant Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$28,753.00)

**WHEREAS,** the Greater Linden Development Corporation (GLDC) is a not-for-profit organization formed in 1994: and

**WHEREAS,** the Greater Linden area is in need of major housing and commercial revitalization efforts, and

**WHEREAS,** the Greater Linden Development Corporation provides services to assist with housing and commercial revitalization; and

**WHEREAS,** the Greater Linden Development Corporation serves as a Neighborhood Commercial Revitalization Area leader for the Linden area; and

**WHEREAS,** the CDBG funds allocated to the Greater Linden Development Corporation will be for administrative purposes only, and

**WHEREAS,** an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Development in that it is immediately necessary to authorize the Director to enter into this contract to avoid interruption in activities, 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 Director of the Department of Development is hereby authorized and directed to enter into a contract with the Greater Linden Development Corporation for administrative costs associated with revitalization efforts in the Greater Linden area.

**SECTION 2.** That for the purpose stated in Section 1, the expenditure of \$28,753.00 or so much thereof as may be needed, is hereby authorized in Fund 2248 Community Development Act in Object Class 03 Contractual Services per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

**SECTION 3.** That this contract is awarded in accordance with the relevant provisions of City Code Chapter 329 relating to not-for-profit service contracts.

**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.** 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.