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Legislation Text

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BACKGROUND: This legislation authorizes the Director of the Department of Development to contract with American Mechanical, Ohio Mechanical, Capital Plumbing and TFH-EB dba Water Works to provide emergency home repair services to low and moderate-income households in Columbus as part of the Emergency Repair Program and to waive the competitive bidding provisions of the Columbus City Code. Emergency repair services include heating, plumbing, electrical and other emergency home repairs needed to protect the health and safety of the citizens of Columbus.

The companies responded to a Request for Proposal (RFP) SA-005831 and all those who responded were selected.

The CDBG Affordable Housing Opportunity Fund (AHOF) represents the City's commitment to the preservation and production of housing units affordable to very-low, low and moderate-income individuals. Funds will be used to meet housing needs identified in the Consolidated Plan.

Emergency action is necessary to allow for the uninterrupted continuation of emergency repair services.

FISCAL IMPACT: \$400,000 is available in the 2016 CDBG Fund budget for this purpose.

To authorize the Director of the Department of Development to contract with various contractors to provide emergency home repair services to correct substandard and deteriorating conditions of homes owned by low and moderate-income households in Columbus; to authorize the expenditure of \$400,000.00 from the Community Development Block Grant Fund; to waive the relevant provisions of Chapter 329 of the City Code relating to competitive bidding; and to declare an emergency. (\$400,000.00)

WHEREAS, the Department of Development, Housing Division desires to administer the CDBG Affordable Housing Opportunity Fund from the Community Development Block Grant fund to allow for the expenditure of funds for the Emergency Repair Program; and

WHEREAS, these monies will be used to provide emergency home repair services necessary to preserve the supply of decent, safe, sanitary and affordable housing; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Development desires to enter into agreements with four contractors to provide materials and services related to the Emergency Repair Program; and

WHEREAS, American Mechanical, Ohio Mechanical, Capital Plumbing and TFH-EB dba Water Works responded to a Request for Proposals (SA-05831) and were selected; and

WHEREAS, it is in the City's best interest to waive the competitive bidding in Columbus City Code Chapter 329 in order to establish contracts with multiple companies; and

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 said contracts to allow for the uninterrupted continuation of vital emergency repair services, thereby preserving the public health, peace, property, 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 authorized to enter into contracts with the vendors listed below, in accordance with Columbus City Code, to provide emergency home repair services to correct substandard and deteriorating conditions of homes owned by low and moderate- income households.

American Mechanical	cc#371480212 expiration 02/20/17	\$135,000.00
Capital Plumbing	cc#200557202 expiration 06/03/17	\$135,000.00
Ohio Mechanical	cc#311676592, expiration 08/26/2017	\$80,000.00
TFH-EB dba Water Works	cc#,311162504 expiration 02/26/17	\$50,000.00

SECTION 2. That for the purpose as stated in Section 1, the expenditure of \$400,000 or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby authorized from the Community Development Act, Fund 2248, Object Class 03, Contractual Services per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

SECTION 3. That this Council finds it is the best interest of the City to waive the relevant provisions of Chapter 329 of the City Code relating to competitive bidding to permit the aforementioned 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. 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 approval by the Mayor, or ten days after passage if the Mayor neither approves nor vetoes the same.