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Legislation Text

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This ordinance authorizes the Director of the Department of Development to enter into a contract with Alvis in support of physical improvements for a planned substance abuse and treatment center. This ordinance also authorizes an appropriation and expenditure of \$250,000.00 within the Special Income Tax fund.

Alvis is a nonprofit human services agency that has been serving the central Ohio community since 1967, and Alvis programs are accredited by the American Correctional Association, Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF), and the Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services.

Alvis has recently purchased a property located at 1289-1293 Livingston Avenue, the intended use of which will be to provide the Columbus community with a center for substance abuse treatment, trauma-informed treatment for victims of human trafficking, and other services to improve the overall health, welfare, and strength of the community, including financial literacy, workforce development, and education.

The organization plans to partner with Heart of Ohio, Primary One Health, and Columbus Public Health (health care and mental health services); Community Mediation Services (eviction prevention), PNC (financial literacy); Amethyst, Homeport, and Habitat for Humanity (housing); Mentoring Center (mentoring); and Accenture (GED tutoring).

Monies from the City of Columbus are requested to fund roof replacement, removal of sinks from individual rooms, painting, install new flooring, add interior doors, install signage, and wire the building for phone/internet/video conferencing. Additional capital improvement needs may include replacement of the HVAC system. This building was previously used as a physician's office and the rooms could be fairly easily converted for group and individual counseling.

Fiscal Impact: \$250,000.00 is available for expenditure within the Special Income Tax fund.

Emergency action is requested in order that funding be made available to Alvis to expedite the renovation and opening of the facility, so that Alvis can immediately provide the necessary services to the community.

To authorize the Director of the Department of Development to enter into contract with Alvis, Inc.; and to authorize the appropriation and expenditure of \$250,000.00 within the Special Income Tax fund, and to declare an emergency. (\$250,000.00)

WHEREAS, the problem of opiate addiction in both Columbus and nationwide has the potential to put families, neighbors, and communities at risk, and requires an immediate and comprehensive response; and

WHEREAS, victims of human trafficking often experience intolerable suffering and are subject to exploitation, abuse, and trauma, for which they may require intensive, ongoing holistic treatment and support services; and

WHEREAS, Alvis, Inc. has admirably served the Columbus community since 1967 through its family and children's

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programs, workforce development initiatives, and services for the community of those with developmental disabilities; and

WHEREAS, Alvis seeks to renovate the building at 1289-1293 Livingston Avenue to provide the Columbus community with a center for substance abuse treatment, trauma-informed treatment for victims of human trafficking, and other services to improve the overall health, welfare, and strength of the community, including financial literacy, workforce development, and education; and

WHEREAS, it has become necessary in the usual daily operation of the Department of Development to authorize the Director to enter into contract with Alvis, Inc. to provide financial support to Alvis' efforts in developing a comprehensive treatment facility to serve those members of the community that are most at-risk; now, therefore, and,

WHEREAS, in light of the persistent and acute struggle that the scourge of opiate addiction presents to the community, emergency action is requested so that funding can be made immediately available to Alvis to expedite the renovation and opening of the planned treatment center without delay; 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 contract with Alvis, Inc. in support of a planned opiate addiction and human trafficking treatment and support center.

SECTION 2. That the City Auditor is hereby authorized to appropriate \$250,000.00 in the Special Income Tax fund, fund 4430, subfund 443001, to the Department of Development, in Object Class 03 - Contractual Services, per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

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SECTION 3. That the expenditure of \$250,000.00 or so much thereof as may be needed pursuant to the actions authorized in SECTION 1, is hereby authorized in the Special Income Tax fund, fund 4430, subfund 443001, in Object Class 03 - Contractual Services, per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

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SECTION 4. That this contract is entered into under the provisions of Columbus City Code Chapter 329 regarding non-profit contracts.

SECTION 5. That this ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after earliest period allowed by law. 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 10 days after passage if the Mayor neither approves nor vetoes the same.