



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 requested to allow payment without further delay to the non-profit for expenses incurred.

FISCAL IMPACT: Funding for the Greater Linden Development Corporation will be allocated from the Community Development Block Grant Fund.

To authorize the Director of the Department of Development to enter into an agreement with the Greater Linden Development Corporation for services it provided in the Greater Linden Area in 2015; to authorize the transfer of \$28,753.00 from the 108 Loan Fund Program to the Community Development Block Grant Fund; and to authorize the appropriation and 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 that provides services to assist with housing and commercial revitalization and is a Neighborhood Commercial Revitalization Leader for the Linden area; and

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

WHEREAS, the funds allocated to the Greater Linden Development Corporation will be for services performed in 2015; and

WHEREAS, it has become necessary in the usual daily operation of the Department of Development to authorize the Director to enter in an agreement with GLDC to provide financial assistance for services it provided to the Greater Linden area in 2015; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Development in that it is immediately necessary to enter into a reimbursement agreement with the Greater Linden Development Corporation to allow payment for expenses incurred without further delay, 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 an agreement with the Greater Linden Development Corporation for services it provided in association with revitalization efforts in the Greater Linden area that were performed in 2015.

SECTION 2. That the transfer of \$28,753.00, or so much thereof as may be needed, is hereby authorized from Fund 2204 108 Loan Fund Program to Fund 2248 Community Development Act per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

SECTION 3. That from the unappropriated monies and from all monies estimated to come into said fund from any and all sources and unappropriated for any other purpose during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2016, the sum of \$28,753.00 is appropriated in Fund 2248 Community Development Act in Object Class 03 Contractual Services per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

SECTION 4. 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 5. That this contract is awarded in accordance with the relevant provisions of City Code Chapter 329 relating to not-for-profit service contracts.

SECTION 6. 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 7. 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.