



Legislation Text

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BACKGROUND: This legislation authorizes the Director of the Department of Development to enter into an agreement with the Lutheran Social Services (LSS), a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization. The funds provided by the agreement will be used to undertake the renovation of real property located at 217 N. Grant Avenue. The renovations, when complete, will provide sleeping and bathing facilities, and administrative support spaces.

The new site allows for the women's shelter known as, Nancy's Place, and the men's shelter to be located adjacently to the Faith Mission Client Services Center. Closer proximity of the two facilities creates greater efficiency for staff serving sheltered clients and promotes client convenience. Relocation of the two shelters allows further redevelopment of the Long Street corridor.

This legislation authorizes the expenditure of \$2,000,000 to LSS for the renovation of 217 N. Grant Avenue to enhance neighborhood and human services.

Emergency action is necessary to allow for the LSS to immediately begin the renovation process.

FISCAL IMPACT: Funding authority is available in the 2016 Capital Improvements Budget in the Housing Preservation Fund. The maximum amount of the grant provided within the grant agreement authorized to be expended by this ordinance is \$2,000,000.

To authorize the Director of the Department of Development to enter into a grant agreement with Lutheran Social Services to provide funding for the renovation of real property located at 217 N. Grant Avenue; to authorize the Director of Development to expend \$2,000,000.00 from the Housing Preservation Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$2,000,000.00)

WHEREAS, this legislation authorizes the Director of the Department of Development to enter into a grant agreement with Lutheran Social Services (LSS); and

WHEREAS, the funds provided by the grant agreement will be used to assist LSS in the renovation of 217 N. Grant Avenue for the purpose of relocating the women's and men's shelter; and

WHEREAS, the new site allows for the women's shelter known as, Nancy's Place, and the men's shelter to be located adjacently to the Faith Mission Client Services Center; and

WHEREAS, closer proximity of the two facilities creates greater efficiency for staff serving sheltered clients and promotes client convenience; and

WHEREAS, relocation of the two shelters allows for redevelopment of the Long Street corridor; and

WHEREAS, emergency action is necessary to allow for the LSS to immediately begin renovation of the property, 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 grant agreement with the Lutheran Social Services for and to expend said funds, 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 hereby authorized to enter into a grant agreement with Lutheran Social Services to provide funding for the renovation of 217 N. Grant Avenue for the purpose of relocating the women's and men's shelter closer to the Faith Mission Client Services Center to enhance neighborhood and human services.
- SECTION 2.** That for the purpose stated in Section 1, the sum of up to \$2,000,000.00 or so much thereof as may be needed, is hereby authorized in Fund 7782 in Object Class 06 Capital Outlay 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.** At the end of the grant period, any repayment of unencumbered balances required by the grantor is hereby authorized and any unused City match monies may be transferred back to the City fund from which they originated in accordance with all applicable grant agreements.
- SECTION 5.** 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 6.** That the City Auditor is authorized to make any accounting changes to revise the funding source for all contracts or contract modifications associated with this ordinance.
- SECTION 7.** That the City Auditor is hereby authorized to transfer the unencumbered balance in a project account to the unallocated balance account within the same fund upon receipt of certification by the Director of the Department administrating said project that the project has been completed and the monies are no longer required for said project.
- SECTION 8.** 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.