



Legislation Text

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BACKGROUND: Columbus Public Health has been awarded a grant from the Ohio Department of Health originating from the Centers for Disease Control and Other State Funds. This ordinance is needed to accept and appropriate \$110,000.00 in grant monies to fund the 2016-2017 Tobacco Use Prevention and Cessation Grant Program for the period of October 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017.

Tobacco use is a contributing factor in four out of the five leading causes of death in the Linden, South Side and Westside neighborhoods. More specifically, cancer is the leading cause of death in the Linden, and Westside priority communities, while heart disease is the leading cause of death in the South Side communities (Ohio Department of Health, Vital Statistics, 2010-2014).

This grant will address youth prevention and policy development for smoke free living, with the goal of reducing chronic diseases.

Emergency action is request to avoid delays in meeting the grant deliverables starting October 1, 2016 and to allow the financial transactions to be posted in the City's accounting system as soon as possible. Up to date financial posting promotes accurate accounting and financial management.

FISCAL IMPACT: The program is funded by the Ohio Department of Health and does not generate revenue.

To authorize and direct the Board of Health to accept a grant from the Ohio Department of Health for the Tobacco Use Prevention and Cessation Grant Program in the amount of \$110,000.00; to authorize the appropriation of \$110,000.00 to the Health Department in the Health Department Grants Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$110,000.00)

WHEREAS, \$110,000.00 in grant funds have been made available to Columbus Public Health through the Ohio Department of Health for the Tobacco Use Prevention and Cessation Grant Program; and,

WHEREAS, this ordinance is submitted as an emergency so as to allow the financial transaction to be posted in the city's accounting system as soon as possible due to the grant begin date of October 1, 2016. Up to date financial posting promotes accurate accounting and financial management; and,

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of Columbus Public Health in that it is immediately necessary to accept this grant from the Ohio Department of Health and to appropriate these funds to the Health Department 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 Board of Health is hereby authorized and directed to accept a grant award of \$110,000.00 from the Ohio Department of Health for the Tobacco Use Prevention and Cessation Grant Program for the period October 1, 2016, through June 30, 2017.

SECTION 2. That from the unappropriated monies in the Health Department Grants Fund, Fund No. 2251, and from all monies estimated to come into said Fund from any and all sources for the period ending June 30, 2017, the sum of

\$110,000.00 and any eligible interest earned during the grant period is hereby appropriated to the Health Department, Division No. 50-01 per the accounting codes attached in this ordinance.

SECTION 3. That the monies appropriated in the foregoing Section 2 shall be paid upon the order of the Health Commissioner, and that no order shall be drawn or money paid except by voucher, the form of which shall be approved by the City Auditor.

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 for reasons stated in the preamble hereto, which is hereby made a part hereof, this ordinance is 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.