City of Columbus

Legislation Text

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BACKGROUND: Ordinance number 2945-2015, approved by City Council on December 7, 2015, authorized the Board of Health to enter into a contract with St. Stephen's Community House in the amount of $40,000.00 to lead the CelebrateOne neighborhood level intervention work that addresses social determinants of health and infant mortality in the Linden community for the period of December 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016.

This ordinance is needed to increase and extend contract EL017776 in the amount of $100,000.00 for the total contract amount not to exceed $140,000.00 for a time period ending June 30, 2017 with St. Stephen's Community House. This modification is needed to continue the work in the Linden community.

Every year in Franklin County, approximately 150 babies die before their first birthday. While national infant mortality rates are decreasing, in 2014, Ohio ranked 12th worst in the nation for overall infant mortality. Infant Mortality in Franklin County January-August, 2016, we have had 116 babies die, 16 related to sleep-related infant deaths (13.8%).

St. Stephen's Community House (Contract Compliance No. 314379568) is a nonprofit organization and therefore exempt from Contract Compliance certification.

Emergency action is requested for this contract modification in order to ensure that the work on reducing infant mortality is not interrupted.

FISCAL IMPACT: The funds needed to modify this contract with St. Stephen's Community House are budgeted within the Health Department Grants Fund.

To authorize and direct the Board of Health to modify by increasing and extending an existing contract with St. Stephen's Community House to allow continued work in the reduction of infant mortality in the Linden community through June 30, 2017; to authorize the expenditure of $100,000.00 from the Health Department Grants Fund; and to declare an emergency. ($100,000.00)

WHEREAS, $100,000.00 in additional funds are needed for the continued work with the reduction of infant mortality in the Linden community; and,

WHEREAS, it is necessary to modify contract EL017776 with St. Stephen's Community House by increasing and extending these services; and,

WHEREAS, this ordinance is being submitted as an emergency measure so that timely services can proceed without interruption; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of Columbus Public Health in that it is immediately necessary to modify contract EL017776 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:

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SECTION 1. That the Board of Health is hereby authorized to modify by increasing contract EL017776 with St. Stephen's Community House by adding an additional $100,000.00 to the contract, for a new total contract amount not to exceed $140,000.00, and extending through June 30, 2017.

SECTION 2. That the expenditure of $100,000.00 is hereby authorized from the Health Department Grants Fund, Fund No.2251, Health Department, Division 50-01, per the accounting codes attached to this ordinance.

SECTION 3. That this modification is in compliance with Chapter 329 of the Columbus City Code.

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 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 6. That for 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.