



Legislation Text

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Background: This legislation authorizes the Director of the Department of Neighborhoods, on behalf of the City, to enter into a Service Contract with the Neighborhood Design Center("NDC"). NDC will work in coordination with the City Department of Neighborhoods to engage the Linden and Hilltop communities, City Departments, and other community partners to align resources and develop a comprehensive community master plan. It also authorizes the expenditure of \$250,000.00 from the Neighborhood Initiatives and General Government Grant Fund (Neighborhood Stabilization Program 3 grant).

Fiscal Impact: The fiscal impact associated with the execution of the Contract is in the amount of \$250,000.00 to come from Fund 1000 Neighborhood initiatives and Fund 2220 General Government Grant Fund.

Emergency Justification: Emergency action is requested to allow for the immediate execution of this contract in order to begin the neighborhood planning process.

To authorize the Director of the Department of Neighborhoods to enter into a Service Contract with the Neighborhood Design Center to align resources and develop a comprehensive community master plan for the Linden and Hilltop communities; to authorize and direct the City Auditor to appropriate \$125,000.00 in the Neighborhood Initiatives Fund; to authorize and direct the City Auditor to transfer cash and appropriation between Departments within the Neighborhood Stabilization Program 3 grant Fund; to authorize the expenditure of \$250,000.00 from the Neighborhood Initiatives Fund and Neighborhood Stabilization Program 3 grant Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$250,000.00)

WHEREAS, the City is supportive of the Linden and Hilltop Communities and wishes to expand programs and services to better serve the neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, Neighborhood Design Center("NDC") will work in coordination with the City Department of Neighborhoods to engage these communities, City Departments, and other community partners to align resources and develop a comprehensive community master plan; and

WHEREAS, this contract covers a four (4) year period through December 31, 2020 subject to and conditioned upon the annual approval of City Council, and appropriation and certification of funds by the City Auditor; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Neighborhoods in that it is immediately necessary to authorize the Director to enter into a Contract with the Neighborhood Design Center in order to begin the neighborhood planning process, for the public health, safety and welfare; now therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS:

SECTION 1. That the City Auditor be and is hereby authorized to appropriate \$125,000 in the Neighborhood Initiatives Fund, Fund 1000, Subfund 100018, to the Department of Neighborhoods in Object level 03, Contractual Services, per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

SECTION 2. That the appropriation of \$125,000 was authorized by Ordinance 2822-2014, and is hereby moved from the Department of Development 4410 to the Department of Neighborhoods 4801 within the Neighborhood Stabilization Program 3 grant per the account codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

SECTION 3. That the expenditure of \$250,000.00 or so much thereof as may be needed, is hereby authorized in Fund 1000 and Fund 2220 in object class 03, Contractual Services, per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

SECTION 4. That the Director of the Department of Neighborhoods be, and hereby is, authorized to enter into a Contract with the Neighborhood Design Center to engage the Linden and Hilltop communities, City Departments, and other community partners to align resources and develop a comprehensive community master plan.

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 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.