

Legislation Text

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BACKGROUND: Columbus Public Health has been awarded additional funds from the Ohio Department of Health through the Centers for Disease Control for 2016/2017 Public Health Emergency Preparedness Grant Program. This ordinance is necessary to accept and appropriate additional funds in the amount of \$98,941.00 for a total grant award of \$1,194,476.00 ending June, 30 2017.

The Office of Emergency Preparedness writes and maintains the Columbus Public Health Emergency Response Plan. This Plan contains over 50 planning annexes such as infectious disease response and environmental health hazard response and mitigation plans covering the Columbus and Worthington jurisdictions.

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 deliverable requirements and end date of June, 30 2017. 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 additional funds from the Ohio Department of Health for the 2016/2017 Public Health Emergency Preparedness Grant Program in the amount of \$98,941.00; to authorize the appropriation of \$98,941.00 to the Health Department in the Health Department Grants Fund, and to declare an emergency. (\$98,941.00)

WHEREAS, \$98,941.00 in additional grant funds have been made available to the Health Department through the Ohio Department of Health for the 2016/2017 Public Health Emergency Preparedness 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 so grant deliverables can be met by the grant end date of June 30, 2017. 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 additional funds from the Ohio Department of Health for the Emergency Preparedness Grant Program, and to appropriate these funds to Columbus Public Health 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 additional funds in the amount of \$98,941.00 from the Ohio Department of Health for the 2016/2017 Public Health Emergency Preparedness Grant Program for the grant period ending 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 during the grant period, the sum of \$98,941.00 is appropriated upon receipt of an executed grant agreement and any eligible interest earned during the grant period is hereby appropriated to the Health Department, Division No. 5001, per the accounting codes attached to this ordinance.

SECTION 3. That 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 4. That 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 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.