



Legislation Text

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BACKGROUND: The City is a participating jurisdiction receiving federal funds under the HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The regulations of the program provide that up to five percent of the annual allocation may be granted to Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDOs) to pay operating costs of the agencies. CHDOs are nonprofit organizations that work in neighborhoods to develop affordable housing through rehabilitation of existing housing stock or new in-fill construction.

This legislation authorizes the expenditure of \$158,587 of HOME Funds and also authorizes the Director of Development to enter into a contract with the Community Development Collaborative of Greater Columbus (Collaborative) to serve in the role as a funding intermediary, facilitator of training, and builder of organizational capacity. These funds leverage additional public and private funds for operating support of CHDOs. The City and the Collaborative have collectively developed a process for distribution of the funds. The Collaborative will administer contracts for the following CHDOs:

Community Development for all People	\$52,259
Franklinton Development Association	\$61,799
Homes on the Hill CDC	\$44,529
Total	\$158,587

Contract figures represent only the City HOME funded portion of the CHDOs total contracts. Emergency action is requested to avoid disruptions in program services.

FISCAL IMPACT: The 2017 HOME Program budget allocated a total of \$158,587 for CHDO operating support. This ordinance is contingent on the passage of Ordinance 2423-2017.

To authorize the Director of the Department of Development to enter into a contract with the Community Development Collaborative of Greater Columbus; to authorize the expenditure of \$158,587.00 from the HOME Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$158,587.00)

WHEREAS, the City of Columbus is the recipient of HOME Investment Partnerships funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to make a portion of the HOME funds available to Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDOs) to pay a portion of their operating costs to stimulate the development of affordable housing for low income households in their neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, support for CHDOs can foster the revitalization of Columbus neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to enter into a contract with the Community Development Collaborative of Greater Columbus in order to administer the CHDO contracts; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Development, Housing Division, in that it is immediately necessary to authorize the Director to enter into contract with the Community Development Collaborative of Greater Columbus to avoid disruptions in program services, 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 be and is hereby authorized to enter into a contract with the Community Development Collaborative of Greater Columbus to serve in the role as a funding intermediary, facilitator of training, and builder of organizational capacity for Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDOs). This ordinance is hereby authorized upon passage of Ordinance 2423-2017.

SECTION 2. That for the purpose as stated in Section 1, the expenditure of \$158,587 or so much thereof as may be necessary, be and is hereby authorized to be expended from the HOME Program Entitlement in Object Class 03 Contractual Services per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

SECTION 3. That this contract is awarded pursuant to the relevant provisions of Chapter 329 of City Code relating to the process for awarding not-for-profit service contracts.

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 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.