



Legislation Text

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This ordinance authorizes Columbus City Council to enter into contract with Maryhaven in support of the Addiction Stabilization Center.

In 2016, the city and county convened a steering committee to study the epidemic of opiate addiction in central Ohio and to provide recommendations to address the issue. Those recommendations appeared this year in the Franklin County Opiate Action Plan, and included action items within four categories: prevention and community education, healthcare and risk reduction, treatment and support, and first responders and law enforcement.

In the area of treatment and support, the primary recommendation is the development of an “addiction stabilization center offering immediate crisis intervention, detoxification and intensive treatment services focused on people who experienced a life-threatening overdose.” In July, the Alcohol, Drug, and Mental Health Board of Franklin County announced the approval of a center on the city’s south side, to be operated by Maryhaven.

The Maryhaven Addiction Stabilization Center is expected to open by the end of 2017 and will offer 55 beds to triage patients and provide immediate access to detoxification and treatment services. In order to support and facilitate the operation of the center, the city is committing \$100,000.00 toward permanent improvements and medical equipment for use in treatment programs.

Fiscal Impact: Funding is available within the Special Income Tax fund.

Emergency action is requested in order to immediately provide Maryhaven with funding necessary for the completion of the Addiction Stabilization Center.

To authorize Columbus City Council to enter into contract with Maryhaven in support of the Addiction Stabilization Center; to authorize an appropriation and expenditure within the Special Income Tax fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$100,000.00)

WHEREAS, thousands of Ohioans die each year as a result of unintentional overdoses, and thousands more lives are impacted by the ongoing epidemic of opiate addiction; and

WHEREAS, in 2016, the city and county convened a steering committee to study the issue of opiate addiction and to provide recommendations to address the issue; and

WHEREAS, the Opiate Action Plan contains recommendations for prevention and community education, healthcare and risk reduction, treatment and support, and first responders and law enforcement; and

WHEREAS, with regard to treatment and support, it is recommended that the Alcohol, Drug, and Mental Health Board of Franklin County develop an addiction stabilization center offering immediate crisis intervention, detoxification and intensive treatment services focused on people who experienced a life-threatening overdose; and

WHEREAS, the Maryhaven Addiction Stabilization Center will fulfill that action later this year with a facility offering inpatient detoxification and treatment services; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the city in that it is immediately necessary to enter into contract with Maryhaven in order to provide the resources necessary to complete the Addiction Stabilization Center, for the public health, safety and welfare; now, therefore,

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

SECTION 1. That Columbus City Council is hereby authorized to enter into contract with Maryhaven in support of the Addiction Stabilization Center.

SECTION 2. That the City Auditor is hereby authorized and directed to appropriate \$100,000.00 in the Special Income Tax fund, fund 4430, subfund 443001, to Columbus City Council, in Object Class 03 - Contractual Services, per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

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SECTION 3. That the expenditure of \$100,000.00 or so much thereof as may be needed pursuant to the actions authorized in SECTION 1, is hereby authorized in the Special Income Tax fund, fund 4430, subfund 443001, in Object Class 03 - Contractual Services, per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

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SECTION 4. 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 legislation.

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 passage and approval by the Mayor, or 10 days after passage if the Mayor neither approves nor vetoes the same.