



Legislation Text

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This ordinance authorizes the Columbus City Attorney to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the Franklin County Board of Commissioners for the purpose of funding personnel in support of the Franklin County Opiate Action Plan.

Per the terms of the Memorandum of Understanding, the Franklin County Board of Commissioners will commit \$50,000 per year for years 2018, 2019, and 2020 in support of personnel dedicated to the execution of recommendations contained in the Franklin County Opiate Action Plan. These personnel will be employed within the Office of the City Attorney.

Emergency action is recommended in order to implement the terms of the Memorandum of Understanding in a timely manner.

To authorize the City Attorney to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the Franklin County Board of Commissioners for the purpose of funding personnel in support of the Franklin County Opiate Action Plan; and to declare an emergency.

WHEREAS, the ongoing epidemic of opiate abuse and addiction in Central Ohio represents a public health crisis and a threat to neighborhood safety, stability, and welfare; and

WHEREAS, the Opiate Action Plan contains a series of recommendations aimed at reducing, mitigating, and eliminating opiate addiction and abuse; and

WHEREAS, the Opiate Action Plan is supported in part by federal funds, including funding through the 21st Century Cures Act; and

WHEREAS, the City of Columbus and Franklin County, Ohio deem it mutually beneficial to jointly act to execute the of the Opiate Action Plan; **now, therefore,**

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

SECTION 1. That the City Attorney is hereby authorized to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the Franklin County Board of Commissioners for the purpose of funding personnel in support of the Franklin County Opiate Action Plan.

SECTION 2. 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 (10) days after passage if the Mayor neither approves nor vetoes the same.