



## Legislation Text

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This ordinance authorizes Columbus City Council to enter into a grant agreement with Community Partners in support of the upcoming Purple Aisle Transportation Innovation Lab.

The Purple Aisle is a bi-partisan program of Community Partners that organizes and facilitates innovation labs to tackle civic problems. The weekend of November 16th, the Purple Aisle is organizing an innovation lab in Columbus focused on transportation and equitable mobility. Young leaders will be organized into teams, receive a research dossier, and engage in a weekend of team-based problem solving which culminates in a pitch competition. Faced with a challenging topic, teams must develop a policy, community program, and civic tech solution. Previous labs have focused on immigration and workforce, gentrification and affordable housing, and law enforcement reform. After the teams pitch to potential early adopters, the Purple Aisle will help adopters develop a 90-day action plan for the solutions they want to advance.

Council will be joined in its support of The Purple Aisle with additional funding from The Ohio State University, COTA, the Columbus Partnership, and other private partners.

**Fiscal Impact:** Funding is available within the Neighborhood Initiatives subfund.

**Emergency action** is requested in order to provide The Purple Aisle with the resources necessary to execute planning for the November event.

To authorize Columbus City Council to enter into a grant agreement with Community Partners in support of the Purple Aisle Transportation Innovation Lab; to authorize an appropriation and expenditure within the Neighborhood Initiatives subfund; and to declare an emergency. (\$6,000.00)

**WHEREAS**, The Purple Aisle is a bi-partisan program of Community Partners that organizes and facilitates innovation labs to tackle civic problems; and

**WHEREAS**, The Purple Aisle has previously hosted labs that have focused on immigration and workforce, gentrification and affordable housing, and law enforcement reform; and

**WHEREAS**, the weekend of November 16th, the Purple Aisle is organizing an innovation lab in Columbus focused on transportation and equitable mobility; and

**WHEREAS**, an emergency exists in the usual daily business of the city in that it is immediately necessary to authorize Columbus City Council to enter into a grant agreement with Community Partners in order to provide the resources necessary to execute planning for the November event; **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 a grant agreement with Community Partners in support of the Purple Aisle Transportation Innovation Lab.

**SECTION 2.** That the City Auditor is hereby authorized and directed to appropriate \$6,000.00 in the Neighborhood Initiatives subfund, fund 1000, subfund 100018, to Columbus City Council per the accounting codes in the attachment to

this ordinance.

**SECTION 3.** That the expenditure of \$6,000.00 or so much thereof as may be needed pursuant to the action authorized in SECTION 1 of this ordinance, is hereby authorized in the Neighborhood Initiatives subfund, fund 1000, subfund 100018 per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

**SECTION 4.** 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.