

City of Columbus

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Legislation Text

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This ordinance authorizes Columbus City Council to enter into a grant agreement with the Franklinton Board of Trade in support of the organization's efforts to establish a Special Improvement District.

The funding will support the creation of a Special Improvement District (SID) for the Franklinton Neighborhood. Franklinton's revitalization is progressing at a steady pace and there exists a need to formalize services that will support a clean and safe neighborhood. The goal of the SID will be to hire ambassadors to collect litter and clear weeds along the sidewalks of the primary West Broad corridor from the eastern edge down to Franklinton Square Shopping Plaza. In addition to the main corridor, the SID boundaries would include what is known as East Franklinton and the Mount Carmel West campus.

The SID intends to leverage a partnership between the Franklinton Board of Trade, Mount Carmel Outreach and Jordan's Crossing Resource Center. The SID funds will allow for the hiring of residents from the Franklinton neighborhood to perform the SID services while simultaneously allowing for the engagement of homeless camps. The SID will offer employment opportunities and wrap around services that include health and hygiene education from Mount Carmel Outreach and skills training for more advanced employment opportunities from Jordan's Crossing Resource Center.

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

Emergency action is requested in order to avoid any delay in organizing activities.

To authorize Columbus City Council to enter into a grant agreement with the Franklinton Board of Trade in support of the organization's efforts to establish a Special Improvement District; to authorize an appropriation and expenditure within the Neighborhood Initiatives subfund; and to declare an emergency. (\$30,000.00)

WHEREAS, Franklinton's revitalization is progressing at a steady pace and there exists a need to formalize services that will support a clean and safe neighborhood; and

WHEREAS, it is the goal of the Franklinton Board of Trade to establish a Special Improvement District in the Franklinton neighborhood; and

WHEREAS, the goal of the SID will be to hire ambassadors from within Franklinton to provide neighborhood beautification services, as well as connecting at-risk residents to employment, medical, and mental health services; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily business of the city in that it is immediately necessary to authorize a grant agreement with the Franklinton Board of Trade to avoid any delay in organizing activities; 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 the Franklinton Board of Trade in support of the organization's efforts to establish a Special Improvement District.

SECTION 2. That the City Auditor is hereby authorized and directed to appropriate \$30,000.00 in the Neighborhood Initiatives subfund, fund 1000, subfund 100018, to Columbus City Council per the accounting codes in the attachment to

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this ordinance.

SECTION 3. That the expenditure of \$30,000.00 or so much thereof as may be needed pursuant to the actions authorized in SECTION 1, 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.