



Legislation Text

File #: 3380-2018, **Version:** 1

Background:

This legislation appropriates \$285,000 of the Community Development Block Grant 2019 budget and authorizes the Director of the Department of Neighborhoods, on behalf of the City, to enter into a Service Contract renewal with the Neighborhood Design Center (NDC). NDC is currently working in coordination with the City Department of Neighborhoods to engage the Linden and Hilltop communities, City Departments, and other community partners to align resources to develop a comprehensive community plan. This work was initiated via 0305-2017 and passed by City Council on 2/6/17 and ordinance 0917-2018, passed by City Council 4/18/18. Additional funding was added via ordinance 1458-2018 and passed by City Council on 6/11/18. The One Linden Plan was completed September 2018. This piece authorizes the appropriation and expenditure of \$285,000 from the Community Development Block Grant specifically for Hilltop planning.

Fiscal Impact: The fiscal impact associated with the execution of the contract is in the amount of \$285,000 from the Community Development Block Grant fund and the appropriation of \$285,000 of the Neighborhood Crisis Response - Hilltop program in the approved 2019 Annual Action Plan.

Emergency Justification: Emergency action is requested to allow for the immediate execution of this contract in order to continue the neighborhood planning process in the Hilltop community.

To authorize the Director of the Department of Neighborhoods to enter into a contract renewal with the Neighborhood Design Center to continue work associated with the comprehensive community plan for Hilltop; to authorize the appropriation and expenditure of \$285,000.00 from CDBG; and to declare an emergency. (\$285,000.00)

WHEREAS, the city is supportive of the Hilltop Community and wishes to create a long-term, comprehensive strategy for neighborhood revitalization and development; and

WHEREAS, the city entered into a contract with the Neighborhood Design Center for the development of a comprehensive community plan for the Linden and Hilltop communities via 0305-2017, passed 2/6/2017 and 0917-2018, passed 4/18/18, 1458-2018 passed 6/11/18; and

WHEREAS, this contract covers a three (3) year period through December 31, 2020, subject to and conditioned upon the annual approval of City Council, and appropriation and certification of funds by the City Auditor; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Neighborhoods in that it is immediately necessary to authorize the Director of the Neighborhoods to enter into a contract renewal agreement with the Neighborhood Design Center and to allow the Neighborhood Design Center to continue work associated with the development of a comprehensive community plan, thereby preserving the public health, peace, prosperity, safety and welfare; **now therefore**

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

SECTION 1. That the Director of the Department of Neighborhoods is hereby authorized to enter into a contract renewal with the Neighborhood Design Center to engage the Hilltop community, City Departments and other community partners to align resources and develop a comprehensive community plan, in accordance with the relevant provisions of City Code Chapter 329.30 relating to the process for awarding not-for-profit service contracts and Federal Regulations 2 CRF 200 and in accordance of federal regulations for the expenditure of CDBG funding found at 24 CRF 570.

SECTION 2. That the City Auditor is hereby authorized to appropriate \$285,000 in the Community Development Block Grant program, to the Department of Neighborhoods in Object Level 03, Contractual Services, per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

SECTION 3. That the expenditure of \$285,000 or so much thereof as may be needed, is hereby authorized in Fund 2248, Community Development Block Grant fund, in object class 03, Contractual Services, per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

SECTION 5. 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 6. 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.