



## Legislation Text

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### 1. BACKGROUND

This legislation authorizes the Chief Innovation Officer to execute a planned contract modification with Michael Baker International, hereafter referenced as Michael Baker, in an amount of up to \$150,000.00 for the provision of an IT Assistant Program Manager to assist with various program management and support services related to the Smart City Challenge.

The Smart City Challenge is a U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) grant program seeking to “create a fully integrated, first-of-its kind city that uses data, technology and creativity to shape how people and goods move in the future.” In 2016, the City of Columbus, acting through the Department of Public Service, applied for and won the Smart City Challenge, receiving a \$40 million dollar grant from USDOT and a \$10 million grant from the Paul G. Allen Family Foundation (Vulcan).

Some aspects of the Smart City Challenge will be performed by an internal, interdepartmental City team coordinated through the Smart Columbus Program Management Office (PMO). The intent of the Smart City Challenge - Professional Support Services project is to provide the PMO with additional resources needed to perform various systems engineering and administrative project and program management services.

Ordinance 1901-2017 authorized the Public Service Director to transfer signature authority to the Chief Innovation Officer or the Chief Innovation Officer's designee for all past, present and future Smart Columbus, USDOT Smart City Challenge, and Paul G Allen Family Foundation (Vulcan) contracts, documents, and projects.

Pursuant to Ordinance 0823-2018, the Department of Public Service initiated a procurement effort that resulted in the award and execution of a professional services contract with Michael Baker in the amount of up to \$2,125,000 for the provision of various program management and support services related to the Smart City Challenge.

The purpose of this planned contract modification is to add funding to the original contract to allow for the addition of an IT Assistant Program Manager to assist with various program management and support services related to the Smart City Challenge.

Original contract amount:	\$2,125,000.00 (Ord. 0823-2018, PO118864)
This Modification No. 1:	<u>\$150,000.00</u>
Total Contract amount including all modifications:	\$2,275,000.00

Searches in the System for Award Management (Federal) and the Findings for Recovery list (State) produced no findings against Michael Baker.

Legislation authorizing the Chief Innovation Officer to execute another contract modification with Michael Baker is not currently planned. However, if additional support is identified, it will be brought before City Council in order to support the delivery of the Smart Columbus Program.

### 2. CONTRACT COMPLIANCE

The contract compliance number for Michael Baker is CC001926, which expires on December 7, 2019.

### 3. FISCAL IMPACT

Funding in the amount of \$150,000.00 is available in Fund 7768 USDOT Grant - Smart City for this project expenditure.

#### **4. EMERGENCY DESIGNATION**

Emergency action is requested to allow for the timely execution of the aforementioned contract modification so as to preclude any disruption in the various program management and support services related to the Smart City Challenge.

To authorize the City's Chief Innovation Officer to execute a contract modification with Michael Baker relative to the Smart City Challenge; to authorize the expenditure of up to \$150,000.00 from the USDOT Grant - Smart City Fund to pay for the contract modification; and to declare an emergency. (\$150,000.00)

**WHEREAS**, on December 7, 2015, the U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) announced the Smart City Challenge, a collaborative effort by the USDOT and Vulcan, Inc. seeking to "create a fully integrated, first-of-its kind city that uses data, technology and creativity to shape how people and goods move in the future"; and

**WHEREAS**, on January 11, 2016, Columbus City Council passed Ordinance 0064-2016 supporting the City's application to the Smart City Challenge; and

**WHEREAS**, on June 23, 2016, USDOT awarded the City of Columbus up to \$40 million in federal funds and up to \$10 million in matching funding from Vulcan, Inc., to assist in implementation of the City's proposal to demonstrate how advanced data and intelligent transportation systems (ITS) technologies and applications that can be used to reduce congestion, keep travelers safe, protect the environment, respond to climate change, connect underserved communities, and support economic vitality; and

**WHEREAS**, Ordinance 1901-2017 authorizes the Public Service Director to transfer signature authority to the Chief Innovation Officer or the Chief Innovation Officer's designee for all past, present and future Smart Columbus, USDOT Smart City Challenge, and Paul G Allen Family Foundation (Vulcan) contracts, documents, and projects; and

**WHEREAS**, Ordinance 0823-2018 authorized the Chief Innovation Officer to enter into a professional services contract with Michael Baker International in an amount of up to \$2,125,000.00 for the provision of various professional support services related to the Smart City Challenge; and

**WHEREAS**, it is necessary to execute a planned contract modification with Michael Baker to add an IT Assistant Program Manager to assist with various program management and support services related to the Smart City Challenge; and

**WHEREAS**, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Smart City Program Office in that it is immediately necessary to authorize the Chief Innovation Officer to execute a contract modification with Michael Baker authorizing the encumbrance and expenditure of requisite engineering and design funding so as to prevent unnecessary delays in the USDOT Smart City Challenge program and to adhere to the terms and conditions of that program, thereby preserving the public health, peace, property, safety and welfare; **now, therefore:**

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

**SECTION 1.** That the City's Chief Innovation Officer, on behalf of the Department of Public Service, be and is hereby authorized to execute a professional services contract modification with Michael Baker International, hereafter referenced as Michael Baker, in an amount of up to \$150,000.00 for the addition of an IT Assistant Program Manager to assist with various program management and support services related to the Smart City Challenge.

**SECTION 2.** That the expenditure of \$150,000.00, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby authorized in Fund 7768 (USDOT Grant - Smart City Fund), Dept-Div 5912 (Division of Design and Construction), Grant G591610 (USDOT Grant - Smart City), in Object Class 03 (Professional Services) per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

**SECTION 3.** That funds are hereby deemed appropriated and expenditures and transfers authorized to carry out the purposes of this ordinance and the City Auditor shall establish such accounting codes as necessary.

**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 ordinance.

**SECTION 5.** That the City Auditor is hereby authorized to transfer the unencumbered balance in a project account to the unallocated balance account within the same fund upon receipt of certification by the Director of the Department administering said project that the project has been completed and the monies are no longer required for said project.

**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 10 days after passage if the Mayor neither approves nor vetoes the same.