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This ordinance authorizes the Finance & Management Director to issue a purchase order for the Department of Public Safety, Division of Support Services, in the amount of \$532,000.00 with Cellco Partnership dba Verizon Wireless for wireless voice, data, GPS, modem services, and equipment. Funds for all of Public Safety's wireless cellular expenses were consolidated in the Division of Support Services' 2019 General Fund budget in order to leverage savings through the volume of use by all Safety personnel. This purchase of wireless data communication services and devices is from an existing State of Ohio Term Contract with Cellco Partnership dba Verizon Wireless. The purchase by the City of Columbus from a State of Ohio contract is authorized by Ordinance 582-87 that allows for cooperative purchasing between the State of Ohio Department of Administrative Services Cooperative Contracts and other governmental entities. There is an immediate need to issue funding for this contract for the purpose of providing wireless communication services and devices for the Divisions of Police, Fire, Support Services and the Safety Director's Office.

**Bid Information:** A State of Ohio Term Contract exists for this purchase.

**Contract Compliance:** Cellco Partnership dba Verizon Wireless Compliance No. CC001698 expires 1/10/2020.

**Emergency Designation:** This legislation is to be considered an emergency measure to allow for the immediate funding needed for the continuation of wireless communication services and devices.

**Fiscal Impact:** This ordinance authorizes an expenditure of \$532,000.00 from the general fund for the current wireless communication service contract. The Department of Public Safety, Division of Support Services, budgeted \$532,000.00 in the 2019 general fund operating budget for this purpose. **This ordinance is contingent upon passage of the 2019 general fund operating budget, ordinance 2870-2018.**

To authorize the Finance and Management Director to issue a purchase order for wireless data communication and cellular services and devices for the Department of Public Safety, Division of Support Services, from an existing Cooperative State of Ohio Term Contract established for such purpose by the State of Ohio Department of Administrative Services Purchasing Office with Cellco Partnership, dba Verizon Wireless; to authorize the expenditure of \$532,000.00 from the General Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$532,000.00)

**WHEREAS**, the Division of Support Services needs to purchase wireless data communications, cellular services, and devices; and,

**WHEREAS**, a State of Ohio Term Contract established by the State of Ohio Department of Administrative Services Purchasing Office exists for these purchases; and,

**WHEREAS**, Ordinance 582-87 authorized this cooperative purchasing effort between the State of Ohio and other governmental entities; and,

**WHEREAS**, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Public Safety, Division of Support Services, in that it is immediately necessary to authorize the Finance and Management Director to issue a purchase order for said services and devices, for the immediate preservation of 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 Finance and Management Director be and is hereby authorized to issue a purchase order for the purchase of wireless data communication, cellular services, and devices for the Department of Public Safety, Division of Support Services, in accordance with an existing State of Ohio Term Contract established by the State of Ohio Purchasing Office with Cellco Partnership, dba Verizon Wireless, the purchase from which is authorized by Ord. 582-87.

**SECTION 2.** That the expenditure of \$532,000.00, or so much thereof as may be needed, is hereby authorized in the General Fund in object class 03 contractual services per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance:

**SECTION 3.** 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 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.