



Legislation Text

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This ordinance is to modify and extend a Contract (Ord. # 0171-2018) with the Columbus Urban League (CUL), to provide violence interruption and crisis response activities that include responding to specific violent confrontations, working to mediate and diffuse conflict tensions, and actively promoting peace building among our youth. CUL will be awarded two (2) Applications for Purpose, Pride and Success (APPS) zones which are the near east and south sides of the city. Contractor shall maintain a 24-hour, 7-day-a-week schedule to respond to calls regarding youth violence confrontations such as shootings, aggravated assaults, homicides, and other violent incidents

Background: The Contractor will provide violence interruption and crisis response activities that include responding to specific violent confrontations, working to mediate and diffuse conflict tensions, and actively promote peace-building. The Contractor shall ensure Community Intervention Workers (CIW) follow the NVI process. Additionally, Community Intervention Workers shall participate in APPS activities and initiatives focusing on reducing youth violence citywide and improving community collaborations as directed by the APPS Office. The Columbus Urban League will hold a surety bond in the amount of \$100,000 and Certificate of Insurance as required by the City.

Benefits to Public: This modification reflects improvements to the intervention model, better aligns intervention efforts with Mayoral priorities, and extends the contract for an additional year.

Fiscal Impact: The cost of this extension is \$329,450.00. This ordinance is contingent on passage of the 2019 operating budget.

Emergency Justification: Emergency action is necessary to modify and extend the contract with the Columbus Urban League so that the Neighborhood Violence Intervention Program can continue without interruption through February 29, 2020.

Principal Parties:

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Contractor Federal ID #: 31-4379453

To authorize the Director of Recreation and Parks to modify and extend a contract with the Columbus Urban League for professional and fiscal services related to the implementation of the Neighborhood Violence Intervention (NVI) Program; to authorize the expenditure of \$329,450.00 from the Recreation and Parks Operating Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$329,450.00)

WHEREAS, it is necessary to modify and extend this contract to enhance community intervention efforts and align with Mayoral priorities, and extend the term of this Contract to February 29, 2020; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to authorize the expenditure of \$329,450.00 from the Recreation and Parks Fund 2285; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Recreation and Parks Department in that it is

immediately necessary to modify and extend a contract with Columbus Urban League so that the Neighborhood Violence Intervention Program can continue without interruption through February 29, 2020; **NOW, THEREFORE,**

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

SECTION 1. That the Director of Recreation and Parks is hereby authorized to modify and extend a contract with Columbus Urban League for professional and fiscal services related to the implementation of the Neighborhood Violence Intervention (NVI) Program.

SECTION 2. That the expenditure of \$329,450.00 or so much thereof as may be needed, is hereby authorized in Fund 2285 Recreation and parks operating fund in object class 03 per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

SECTION 3. 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 legislation.

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