



Legislation Text

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1. BACKGROUND

This ordinance authorizes the Columbus Partnership, a non-profit consultant of the Paul G. Allen Philanthropies Vulcan grant for the Smart City Program, to enter into a second planned contract modification with CivitasNow relative to the implementation of the Smart Columbus Ride and Drive Road Show Plan.

In 2016, the City of Columbus pursued and won the Vulcan grant from the Paul G. Allen Philanthropies with the goal of laying a practical path to replacing carbon-based fuel consumption through critical system improvements that increase safety, reduce carbon emissions, and enhance mobility.

The grant agreement with the Paul G. Allen Philanthropies allows the use of not-for-profit consultants. To that end, the city's Chief Innovation Officer, through Ordinance 1279-2018 approved by Council on 6/4/18, requested to make the Columbus Partnership a not-for-profit consultant to lead initiatives aimed at encouraging electric vehicle adoption by individuals, public entities, and private employers and increasing charging infrastructure locally. The Columbus Partnership previously engaged CivitasNow to provide technical expertise and to perform various professional services related to the deployment of the Smart Columbus Ride and Drive Road Show Plan, centered on the coordination and execution of a series of 120 events held at corporate campuses and public venues intended to educate residents about the Smart Columbus Program and electric vehicle technology.

The intent of this second planned contract modification is to provide for the continuation of various professional services necessary to the successful development and implementation of the Smart Columbus Ride and Drive Road Show Plan. CivitasNow shall continue to be readily available to perform such tasks when requested by the Columbus Partnership. Services on request and detailed scopes for individual deployment projects will be developed as requested and work will be authorized as individual scopes are developed.

2. CONTRACT COMPLIANCE

The contract compliance number for CivitasNow is CC022689, which expires August 11, 2019.

3. FISCAL IMPACT

There is no immediate fiscal impact to the City. ACPO003882 was established per Ordinance 0045-2019 to allow payment of project costs to the Columbus Partnership within Fund 7768 Smart City Private Grant Fund. If the Columbus Partnership should seek payment for these costs, payment would be done through the Auditor's Certificate previously established.

4. EMERGENCY DESIGNATION

Emergency action is requested to provide for the timely execution of the contract so the deliverables required by the Paul G. Allen Philanthropies grant award can be met, avoiding delays which could jeopardize future funding of the Vulcan project.

To authorize the Columbus Partnership to enter into a second planned contract modification with CivitasNow relative to the implementation of the Smart Columbus Ride and Drive Road Show Plan; and to declare an emergency. (\$0.00)

WHEREAS, in 2016, the City of Columbus pursued and won a grant from the Paul G. Allen Philanthropies with the goal

of laying a practical path to replacing carbon-based fuel consumption through critical system improvements that increase safety, reduce carbon emissions, and enhance mobility; and

WHEREAS, the grant agreement with the Paul G. Allen Philanthropies allows the use of not-for-profit consultants; and

WHEREAS, the city's Chief Innovation Officer and the Smart Columbus Program Management Office made the Columbus Partnership a not-for-profit consultant to lead initiatives aimed at encouraging and supporting electric vehicle adoption by individuals, public entities, and private employers and increasing charging infrastructure locally per Ordinance 1279-2018; and

WHEREAS, the Columbus Partnership will be directly responsible for accomplishing the initiatives while operating under the terms and conditions of the not-for-profit consultant agreement; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance 1959-2018 authorized the Columbus Partnership to contract with CivitasNow to perform various tasks related to the implementation of the Smart Columbus Ride and Drive Road Show Plan; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of Smart Columbus in that it is immediately necessary to authorize the Columbus Partnership to execute a second planned contract modification with CivitasNow so as to continue facilitating the provision of services necessary to achieve the deliverables schedule of the Paul G. Allen Philanthropies Vulcan grant, 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 Columbus Partnership be and is hereby authorized to execute a second planned contract modification with CivitasNow, 580 N 4th St. #180, Columbus, OH 43215 relative to the electrification and consumer adoption support and consultation services necessary to support the Smart City initiative.

SECTION 2. 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.