

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 planned contract modification with Fahlgren Mortine relative to the continuation of the Consumer Focused Education Campaign.

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 consultant. 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 intent of this contract modification is to provide the Columbus Partnership with continuing, contractual access to additional resources that are necessary to perform various professional services, as well as provide technical expertise to perform creative development, communications, event coordination and related tasks for the Consumer Focused Education Campaign. Fahlgren Mortine 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

Fahlgren Mortine currently has contract compliance number #CC009283 with the City.

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 first contract modification with Fahlgren Mortine relative to the implementation of the Consumer Focused Education Campaign; 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 1956-2018 authorized the Columbus Partnership to execute a contract with Fahlgren Mortine so as to facilitate the provision of services necessary to achieve the deliverables schedule of the Paul G. Allen Philanthropies Vulcan grant; 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 first contract modification with Fahlgren Mortine 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 first contract modification with Fahlgren Mortine, 4030 Easton Station, Suite 300, Columbus, OH 43219, relative to the implementation of the Consumer Focused Education Campaign.

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.