



Legislation Text

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BACKGROUND: This legislation authorizes the Director of the Department of Development to enter into a contract with the Community Shelter Board (CSB) for the Safety Net Program. The contract will provide \$2,847,258 from the General Fund for the purpose of continuing the City's support for homeless emergency shelters, related homeless shelter services, and homelessness prevention and transition services. These programs have effectively and efficiently enabled our community to help individuals and families who are homeless or near homelessness to resolve their housing crisis.

This contract is awarded pursuant to the relevant provisions of Chapter 329 of City Code relating to the process for awarding not-for-profit service contracts.

The services provided by the CSB are not able to be provided directly by the city because the city staff does not have the expertise or infrastructure to provide these services.

Emergency action is requested so that the Community Shelter Board can continue to provide these services without interruption.

FISCAL IMPACT: Funds for this contract are allocated from the Division of Housing's FY2019 General Fund budget.

To authorize the Director of the Department of Development to enter into contract with the Community Shelter Board for the purpose of continuing the City's support of the Safety Net Program for homeless emergency shelters, related homeless shelter services, and homelessness prevention and transition services; to authorize the expenditure of \$2,847,258.00 from the general fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$2,847,258.00)

WHEREAS, the Director of the Department of Development desires to enter into a contract with the Community Shelter Board; and

WHEREAS, the City continues to support the Community Shelter Board's homeless emergency shelters, related homeless shelter services, and homelessness prevention and transition services; and

WHEREAS, these programs have effectively and efficiently enabled our community to help individuals and families who are homeless resolve their housing crisis; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Development, Housing Division, in that it is immediately necessary to authorize the Director to enter into contract with the Community Shelter Board to continue to provide these essential services to the homeless without interruption, thereby preserving the public health, peace, property, safety, and welfare; and **NOW THEREFORE,**

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

SECTION 1. That the Director of the Department of Development is hereby authorized to enter into contract with the Community Shelter Board for the purpose of continuing the City's support of the Safety Net Program for homeless emergency shelters, related homeless shelter services and homelessness prevention and transition services.

SECTION 2. That the expenditure of \$2,847,258.00 or so much thereof as may be needed, is hereby authorized in Fund 1000 (General Fund), Dept-Div 44-10 (Housing), in object class 03 (Services) per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

SECTION 3. That this contract is awarded pursuant to the relevant provisions of Chapter 329 of City Code relating to the process for awarding not-for-profit service contracts.

SECTION 4. 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 5. 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 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 approval by the Mayor, or ten days after passage if the Mayor neither approves nor vetoes the same.