



Legislation Text

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This ordinance authorizes the Board of Health to modify a contract with The Ohio State University to provide additional funding in the amount of \$180,000.00 and to change the contract term through September 30, 2019 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$421,300.00. This fourth modification is needed for continued formal education and certification to Community Health Workers as part of the deliverables in the Franklin County Department of Job and Family Services (FCDJFS) grant and to meet the workforce and community engagement strategies of CelebrateOne.

Ordinance number 0015-2016, approved by City Council on January 21, 2016, authorized the Columbus Board of Health to enter into a contract with The Ohio State University in the amount of \$69,000.00 to provide formal education and certification to Community Health Workers as part of the CelebrateOne Community Connector Corps Project for the period of February 1, 2016 through January 31, 2017, PO005285. This contract was later modified by Ordinance 3381-2016 on January 26, 2017 to provide for an additional \$72,000 and to adjust the contract term end date to December 31, 2017, PO046092. A second modification, Ordinance 2962-2017, authorized an additional amount of \$71,300.00 through December 31, 2018, PO101427. A third modification, Ordinance 2971-2018, authorized an increase of \$29,000.00, PO151879.

In 2018, more Franklin County babies lived to celebrate their first birthday and the infant mortality rate continued to drop across the populations. Infant mortality, or the death of a baby before his or her first birthday, is a key indicator of a community's overall well being (23% decrease in the infant mortality rate since 2011, from 9.6 to 7.5 per 1000 live births).

Formal bids were not solicited due to The Ohio State University's expertise to train and certify Community Health Workers and in accordance with provisions found in City Code 329.30. The Ohio State University College of Nursing Contract Compliance No. is 316025986.

Emergency action is requested for this contract modification in order to ensure that the work on reducing infant mortality is not interrupted.

FISCAL IMPACT: The funds for this contract with The Ohio State University are budgeted within the Health Department Grants Fund.

To authorize the Board of Health to modify and extend an existing contract with The Ohio State University to provide training and certification to Community Health Workers for the CelebrateOne workforce and community engagement strategies funded by Franklin County Department of Job and Family Services; to authorize the expenditure of \$180,000.00 from the Health Department Grants Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$180,000.00)

WHEREAS, \$180,000.00 in additional funds are needed for the continuation of training and certification for Community Health Workers; and,

WHEREAS, it is necessary to modify contract PO005285 with The Ohio State University by increasing the contract amount and extending these services so that needed training and certification services can be provided to Community Health Workers in connection with the City's CelebrateOne program; and,

WHEREAS, this ordinance is being submitted as an emergency measure so that timely services can proceed without interruption; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of Columbus Public Health in that it is immediately necessary to modify contract PO005285 to provide training and certification services 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 Board of Health is hereby authorized to modify by increasing and extending the term of contract PO005285 with The Ohio State University through September 30, 2019.

SECTION 2. That, to pay the costs of said modification, the expenditure of \$180,000.00 is hereby authorized from the Health Department Grants Fund, Fund No. 2251, per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

SECTION 3. That this modification is in compliance with Chapter 329 of the Columbus City Code.

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 for 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.