



Legislation Text

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BACKGROUND: This legislation authorizes the Director of the Department of Development to enter into contract with the Greater Columbus Chamber of Commerce for the purpose of providing federal advocacy services. The Greater Columbus Chamber of Commerce will pursue federal funding through the services of a consultant to support investments in infrastructure, people, and innovation to advance economic development and job growth within the City of Columbus and the Franklin County Region.

A collaborative effort was established between the City of Columbus, the Greater Columbus Chamber of Commerce, Franklin County, The Ohio State University, Columbus State Community College, the Columbus Partnership, the Central Ohio Transit Authority, the Columbus Regional Airport Authority, the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission, the Columbus Metropolitan Housing Authority, United Way of Central Ohio, OhioHealth and Nationwide Children's Hospital, to pursue this effort.

Emergency action is requested to allow the Greater Columbus Chamber of Commerce to continue to provide federal advocacy services without interruption.

FISCAL IMPACT: The funding of \$25,000 has been allocated from the 2019 General Fund Operating Budget.

To authorize the Director of the Department of Development to enter into contract with the Greater Columbus Chamber of Commerce for federal advocacy services; to authorize the expenditure of \$25,000.00 from the 2019 General Fund Operating Budget; and to declare an emergency. (\$25,000.00)

WHEREAS, the City of Columbus desires to provide the Greater Chamber of Commerce with funding for purposes of federal advocacy; and

WHEREAS, the City of Columbus has provided funding to the Greater Columbus Chamber of Commerce for federal advocacy services in the past; and

WHEREAS, the City of Columbus entered into contract with the Greater Columbus Chamber of Commerce to provide federal advocacy services in 2018; and

WHEREAS, the contract for advocacy services, with the Greater Columbus Chamber of Commerce, for 2018, was in the amount of \$25,000; and

WHEREAS, the Greater Columbus Chamber of Commerce will pursue federal funding through the services of a consultant to support investment in infrastructure, people, and innovation to advance economic development and job growth within the City of Columbus and the Franklin County Region; and

WHEREAS, this is a collaborative effort involving the City of Columbus, the Greater Columbus Chamber of Commerce, Franklin County, The Ohio State University, Columbus State Community College, the Columbus Partnership, the Central Ohio Transit Authority, the Columbus Regional Airport Authority, the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission, the Columbus Metropolitan Housing Authority, United Way of Central Ohio, OhioHealth and Nationwide Children's Hospital; and

WHEREAS, emergency action is requested to allow the Greater Chamber of Commerce to continue to provide federal advocacy services without interruption; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Development Department in that it is immediately necessary to enter into contract with the Columbus Chamber of Commerce in order to continue the federal advocacy services provided without interruption, all for the immediate preservation of the public health, property, safety and welfare; **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 Greater Columbus Chamber of Commerce for federal advocacy services for 2019.

SECTION 2. That for the purpose stated in Section 1, the expenditure of \$25,000 or so much thereof as may be needed, is hereby authorized in Fund 1000 General Fund in Object Class 03 Contractual Services per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

SECTION 3. That this contract is awarded in accordance with the relevant provisions of City Code Chapter 329 relating to 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. 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 ten days after passage if the Mayor neither approves nor vetoes the same.