



Legislation Text

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This ordinance authorizes the Director of the Department of Development to enter into a grant agreement with the Columbus Housing Partnership dba Homeport (Homeport) for the Resident Services Program.

The Resident Services Program supports Columbus area residents, primarily single parent households, in maintaining stable housing and advancing along a continuum of economic security. The Resident Services Program will aid families in imminent threat of eviction with emergency financial assistance paired with financial counseling and coaching services, and provide linkages, referrals and priority access to community resources.

Fiscal Impact: Funding is available within the Emergency Human Services subfund.

Emergency action is requested in order to avoid any disruption in service for at-risk residents.

To authorize the Director of the Department of Development to enter into a grant agreement with the Columbus Housing Partnership dba Homeport (Homeport) for the Resident Services Program; to authorize an appropriation and expenditure within the Emergency Human Services subfund; and to declare an emergency. (\$55,000.00)

WHEREAS, Homeport is the largest local provider of affordable housing in Central Ohio with 36 affordable rental communities and over 6,200 residents; and

WHEREAS, The Resident Services Program supports Columbus area residents, primarily single parent households, in maintaining stable housing and advancing along a continuum of economic security; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily business of the Department of Development in that it is immediately necessary to authorize a grant agreement with Homeport in order to avoid any disruption in service for at-risk residents and to preserve 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 Director of the Department of Development is hereby authorized and directed to enter into a grant agreement with the Columbus Housing Partnership dba Homeport for the Resident Services Program.

SECTION 2. That the Auditor is hereby authorized and directed to appropriate \$55,000.00 in the Emergency Human Services subfund, fund 2231, subfund 223125, to the Department of Development per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

SECTION 3. That the expenditure of \$55,000.00 or so much thereof as may be needed pursuant to the action authorized in SECTION 1 of this ordinance, is hereby authorized in the Emergency Human Services subfund, fund 2231, subfund 223125 per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

SECTION 4. That payment is expressly contingent upon the availability of sufficient monies in the Emergency Human Services subfund to cover the obligation set forth in this contract and in no case shall payments exceed available cash in this fund. In this event that there is not sufficient cash in the fund to cover the obligation set forth in this contract, the City Auditor shall have the authority to make all necessary adjustments at her discretion.

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 legislation.

SECTION 6. 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 7. 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 ten days after passage if the Mayor neither approves nor vetoes the same.