



## Legislation Text

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This ordinance authorizes the Board of Health to enter into contract with the Franklin Park Conservatory to support We Dig Ohio 2020.

We Dig Ohio! is an annual one-day event exploring trends in urban gardening with a focus on nourishing neighborhoods in Central Ohio and beyond. This funding will bring a national expert to our community to share her knowledge and experience while also providing the opportunity for local growers for whom cost might be a barrier to attend the event. This funding will provide financial support for the expenses of the 2020 We Dig Ohio keynote speaker and scholarships for 20 Columbus gardeners and urban growers to attend this one day conference.

We Dig Ohio! Summit directly supports action B-5 of the Local Food Action Plan to “grow capacity and enhance viability of civic agriculture to allow more residents to grow food for themselves and their neighbors.” It is recognized as one of the premier education opportunities for growers in our community, including those gardens funded through the City of Columbus Community Garden Grant program.

**Fiscal Impact:** Funding is available within the Neighborhood Initiatives subfund.

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

To authorize the Board of Health to enter into contract with the Franklin Park Conservatory to support We Dig Ohio 2020; to authorize an appropriation and expenditure within the Neighborhood Initiatives subfund; and to declare an emergency. (\$2,100.00)

**WHEREAS**, We Dig Ohio! is an annual one-day event exploring trends in urban gardening with a focus on nourishing neighborhoods in Central Ohio and beyond; and

**WHEREAS** We Dig Ohio! Summit directly supports action B-5 of the Local Food Action Plan to grow capacity and enhance viability of civic agriculture to allow more residents to grow food for themselves and their neighbors; and

**WHEREAS**, an emergency exists in the usual daily business of the Board of Health in that it is immediately necessary to authorize a grant agreement with the Franklin Park Conservatory in order to avoid any disruption in service for at-risk residents; now, therefore,

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

**SECTION 1.** That the Board of Health is hereby authorized to enter into contract with the Franklin Park Conservatory to support We Dig Ohio 2020.

**SECTION 2.** That the City Auditor is hereby authorized and directed to appropriate \$2,100.00 in the Neighborhood Initiatives subfund, fund 1000, subfund 100018, to Columbus City Council, in Object Class 03 - Contractual Services, per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

**SECTION 3.** That the expenditure of \$2,100.00 or so much thereof as may be needed pursuant to the actions authorized in SECTION 1, is hereby authorized in the Neighborhood Initiatives subfund, fund 1000, subfund 100018, in Object Class 03 - Contractual Services, per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

**SECTION 4.** That this contract is awarded pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 329 that relate to not-for-profit service contracts.

**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 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.