

Legislation Text

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BACKGROUND

This ordinance authorizes the Administrative and Presiding Judge of the Franklin County Municipal Court to accept a grant in the amount of \$10,044.00 from the Franklin County Office of Justice Policy & Programs, and to appropriate the total amount of the grant from the unappropriated balance of the general government grant fund to the Specialized Docket of the Franklin County Municipal Court. This grant will fund a Peer Support Specialist to be assigned to the Learning to Identify and Navigate Change (LINC) Mental Health Speciality Court. The Specialized Dockets have increased their understanding of and value for that of a Peer Support Specialist, an individual with lived experience and specific training to assist in the rehabilitation of participants. This Peer Support Specialist will be a mentor specifically to the participants of the LINC Mental Health Specialty Court.

Emergency Legislation is requested so that the grant funds can be utilized as soon as possible.

FISCAL IMPACT

\$10,044.00 will be expended from the General Government Grant Fund.

To authorize and direct the Administrative Judge of the Franklin County Municipal Court to accept a grant award from the Franklin County Office of Justice Policy and Programs; to appropriate \$10,044.00 from the unappropriated balance of the general government grant fund to the Franklin County Municipal Court Specialized Docket to fund a Peer Support Specialist to be assigned to the LINC Mental Health Specialty Court; and to declare an emergency. (\$10,044.00)

WHEREAS, it is in the city's best interest that the Franklin County Municipal Court receive support to provide a Peer Support Specialist to act as a mentor to the participants of the LINC Specialty Court; and

WHEREAS, grant monies from the Franklin County Office of Justice Policy & Programs, in the amount of \$10,044, are available for this purpose; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Franklin Municipal Court in that it is immediately necessary to authorize the Administrative Judge to accept this grant so that the grant funds can be used as close to the start date of 11/1/2019 as possible thereby preserving the public peace, property, health, safety, and welfare; Now, Therefore

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

SECTION 1. That the Administrative Judge of the Franklin County Municipal Court be and is hereby authorized to accept a grant in the amount of \$10,044 from the Franklin County Office of Justice Policy & Programs.

SECTION 2. That the funds necessary to carry out the purpose of this ordinance are hereby deemed appropriated. That from the unappropriated balance in the general government grant fund, fund 2220, and from all monies estimated to come into said fund from any and all sources and appropriated for any other purpose during the months ending September 30, 2020, the sum of \$10,044 is appropriated to the Franklin County Municipal Court.

SECTION 3. That the monies appropriated in the foregoing Section 2 shall be paid upon the order of the Administrative and Presiding Judge of the Franklin County Municipal Court and that no order shall be drawn or money paid except by

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voucher, the form of which shall be approved by the City Auditor.

SECTION 4. That, at the end of the grant period, any repayment of unencumbered balances required by the grant is hereby authorized and any unused City match monies may be transferred back to the City fund from which they originated in accordance with all applicable grant agreements

SECTION 5. That for the reasons stated in the preamble herein, which are 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 passage and approval by the Mayor, or ten days after passage if the Mayor neither vetoes nor approves the same.