



Legislation Text

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BACKGROUND: Ordinance number 2011-2017, approved by City Council on July 24, 2017, appropriated \$10,416 in the Neighborhood Initiative Fund to Columbus Public Health to enter into contracts with Compumetric Engineering (dba SECURR) for \$2,496 and MedPro Waste Disposal, LLC in the amount of \$7,920 for the purchase of needle disposal containers and maintenance of said containers. Ordinance number 2967-2017 modified PO074706 with MedPro Waste Disposal, LLC increasing the contract \$12,000.00 to not exceed \$19,920.00.

This ordinance is needed to modify by increasing contract PO092416 in the amount of \$3,000.00 for the total contract amount with MedPro Waste Disposal, LLC not to exceed \$22,920.00. This modification is needed to provide safe and sanitary disposal of needles and related materials in various needle box locations around Columbus, Ohio (\$3,000.00).

Columbus, along with other major cities, has been plagued by an opiate epidemic that is a crisis of unparalleled proportion, with devastating, often deadly consequences. A necessary component to combatting the negative effects of this epidemic, specifically the spread of infectious diseases, is the safe and sanitary disposal of needles and related materials.

Emergency action is requested to ensure that Columbus Public Health has the sufficient amount of these supplies and services to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the residents of Columbus.

FISCAL IMPACT: The funds needed to modify this contract with MedPro Waste Disposal, LLC are budgeted within the Health Special Revenue Fund 2250.

To authorize the Board of Health to increase and modify an existing contract with MedPro Waste Disposal, LLC. for the maintenance of needle box containers through August 31, 2020; to authorize the expenditure of \$3,000.00 from the Health Special Revenue Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$3,000.00)

WHEREAS, \$3,000.00 in additional funds are needed for the continued maintenance of needle boxes; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to modify contract PO092416 with MedPro Waste Disposal LLC, by increasing these services; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of Columbus Public Health in that it is immediately necessary to authorize the Board to modify contract PO092416 with MedPro Waste Disposal, LLC. so that timely services can proceed without interruption, 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 contract PO092416 with MedPro Waste Disposal LLC, by adding an additional \$3,000.00 to the contract, for a new total contract amount not to exceed \$22,920.00, and for a contract period through August 31, 2020.

SECTION 2. That the expenditure of \$3,000.00 is hereby authorized from the Health Special Revenue Fund, Fund No.2250, Health Department, Division 50-01, per the accounting codes attached to this ordinance.

SECTION 3. 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 4. 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 ordinance.

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.