

Legislation Text

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This ordinance authorizes the Director of the Department of Development to enter into a grant agreement with Ethiopian Tewahedo Social Services (ETSS) in support of their adult programming.

ETSS is a community-based 501(c)(3) organization that helps new arrivals from all countries establish roots and gain self -sufficiency in Columbus through programs and services that encourage community integration, sustained employment, education, health, and strong families. ETSS Adult Programming includes a variety of programs aimed to help new arrivals learn the skills and training they need to be self-sufficient. The transition to life in the US often requires assistance in things like in English language learning, job placement and training and health and wellness information. Programming is culturally sensitive, relevant and located in the neighborhoods where our clients live at 7 sites throughout Franklin County.

Emergency action is requested in order to avoid any disruption in service delivery to residents of the city.

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

To authorize the Director of the Department of Development to enter into a grant agreement with Ethiopian Tewahedo Social Services in support of their adult programming; to authorize an expenditure within the Emergency Human Services subfund; and to declare an emergency. (\$50,000.00)

WHEREAS, ETSS is a community-based 501(c)(3) organization that helps new arrivals from all countries establish roots and gain self-sufficiency in Columbus; and

WHEREAS, ETSS Adult Programming includes a variety of programs aimed to help new arrivals learn the skills and training they need to be self-sufficient; and

WHEREAS, programming is culturally sensitive, relevant and located in the neighborhoods where our clients live at 7 sites throughout Franklin County; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily business of the Department of Development in that it is immediately necessary to authorize the Director to enter into a grant agreement with ETSS in order to avoid any disruption in service delivery to residents of the city; **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 a grant agreement with Ethiopian Tewahedo Social Services in support of their adult programming.

SECTION 2. That the expenditure of \$50,000.00 or so much thereof as may be needed pursuant to the action authorized in SECTION 1 of this ordinance, is hereby authorized per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

SECTION 3. 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 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. 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.