



## Legislation Text

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### **BACKGROUND:**

This legislation will authorize the acceptance and appropriation of grant funds in connection with the Older Americans Act Title III Supportive Services, Home-Delivered Meals, and Caregiver Support programs.

Additional grant funds are being made available to the Central Ohio Area Agency on Aging from the Ohio Department of Aging for the period of April 21, 2020 to September 30, 2021 by the Coronavirus Aid, Response and Economic Security (CARES) Act.

This funding should significantly expand home-delivered meal, caregiver support, and other supportive services in the Central Ohio area including Delaware, Fairfield, Fayette, Franklin, Licking, Madison, Pickaway, and Union Counties. The eight county region will also receive housing/rental assistance as part of this funding and distribute it to those in need via a partnership with Impact Community Action.

### **EMERGENCY DESIGNATION:**

Emergency action is requested in order to have the contracts in place as soon as possible, as stipulated in the Coronavirus Aid, Response and Economic Security (CARES) Act; and Older Americans Act Title III grant requirements.

### **FISCAL IMPACT:**

This ordinance will appropriate \$3,317,619.00 of which \$2,767,922 is required from the Recreation and Parks Grant fund to modify existing Title III Contracts authorized by Ordinance 2512-2019.

To authorize and direct the Central Ohio Area Agency on Aging to accept grant funds from the Ohio Department of Aging in the amount of \$3,317,619.00 and any additional funds for the Coronavirus Aid, Response and Economic Security (CARES) Act; to authorize the appropriation of \$3,317,619.00 and any additional funds from the unappropriated balance of the Recreation and Parks Grant Fund; to authorize the City Auditor to transfer appropriations between object classes and grant numbers for the CARES grant funding; to authorize the Director of Recreation and Parks to enter into supplemental contracts in the amount of \$2,767,922 with the providers authorized by Ordinance 2512-2019; and to declare an emergency. (\$3,317,619.00)

**WHEREAS**, the Central Ohio Area Agency on Aging has a need to appropriate grant funds received from the Ohio Department of Aging related to the Coronavirus Aid, Response and Economic Security (CARES) Act; and

**WHEREAS**, the COVID-19 pandemic has resulted in a need to provide additional home-delivered meal, caregiver support, and other supportive services; and

**WHEREAS**, expenditure of CARES Act funding is necessary to help expand such services for older Americans that was caused by the COVID-19 public health emergency; and

**WHEREAS**, such expenditure of funds has not been previously accounted for in the 2020 Budget; and

**WHEREAS**, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Recreation and Parks Department in that it is immediately necessary to authorize the Director enter into supplemental contracts to avoid interruption of services to older adults, thereby preserving the public health, peace, property, safety, and welfare; **NOW, THEREFORE**

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

**SECTION 1.** That from the unappropriated monies in the Recreation and Parks Grant Fund and from all monies estimated to come into said fund from any and all sources and unappropriated for any other purpose \$3,317,619.00 is appropriated and any additional grant awards are authorized to be appropriated upon notice of award to the Recreation and Parks Department, Department No. 51, Fund No. 2286, per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

**SECTION 2.** That the monies in the foregoing Section 1 shall be paid upon the order of the Director of Recreation and Parks; and that no order shall be drawn or money paid except by voucher, the form of which shall be approved by the City Auditor.

**SECTION 3.** 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 4.** That the City Auditor is hereby authorized to transfer appropriations between object classes and grant numbers for the Coronavirus Aid, Response and Economic Security (CARES) Act grant funding as needed upon request by the Central Ohio Area Agency on Aging.

**SECTION 5.** Funds are hereby deemed appropriated and expenditures and transfers authorized to carry out the purposes of the ordinance, and the City Auditor shall establish such accounting codes as necessary.

**SECTION 6.** That the Director of Recreation and Parks be and is hereby authorized to enter into supplemental contracts in the amount of up to \$2,767,922.00 to provide supportive services, nutrition services, caregiver services with the providers authorized by Ordinance 2512-2019.

**SECTION 7.** That these contracts are awarded pursuant to City Code Chapter 329 relating to non-profit service contracts.

**SECTION 8.** That the monies received from partners for the purpose of rental assistance are authorized to be appropriated upon receipt.

**SECTION 9.** At the end of the grant period, any repayment of unencumbered balances required by the grantor 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 10.** That for the reasons stated in the preamble hereto, which is hereby made a part thereof, 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 10 days after passage if the Mayor neither approves nor vetoes same.