

Legislation Text

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Mayor Ginther's vision for Columbus, America's Opportunity City, is that every child in Columbus is ready for kindergarten. To meet this goal, the City must engage individuals and organizations that are positioned to assist in this effort.

The Department of Education is requesting the authority to contract with Terrie Young Ragland to perform various consulting functions, including analyzing how we can increase the number of children served in the Early Start Columbus Program; assisting the Department in the development of the birth to five plan for Franklin County; and analyzing the results of the recommendations of the Hilltop Early Childhood Partnership, and assisting where the recommendations have not been met.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** This ordinance authorizes an expenditure of \$45,000.00 from the 2020 Department of Education's General Fund operating budget.

To authorize the Director of Education to enter into a contract with Terrie Young Ragland to perform various consulting functions for the Department; to waive the competitive bidding provisions of the Columbus City Codes; and to authorize the expenditure of \$45,000.00 from the general fund. (\$45,000.00)

**WHEREAS**, Mayor Ginther's vision for Columbus, America's Opportunity City, is that every child in Columbus is ready for kindergarten; and

WHEREAS, in order to meet this goal, the City must engage individuals and organizations that are positioned to assist in this effort; and

WHEREAS, Terrie Young Ragland has the unique experience and knowledge to assist the Department in this work; and

**WHEREAS**, due to Terrie's previous consulting work with the Department, her related work with Franklin County Department of Job and Family Services, and her experience as both a preschool teacher and center director, the Department requests to waive competitive bidding; and

WHEREAS, it has become necessary in the usual daily operation of the Department of Education to authorize the Director to enter into contract with the Terrie Young Ragland for the public health, safety, and welfare; now, THEREFORE:

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

**SECTION 1.** That the Director of Education is authorized to enter into a contract with Terrie Young Ragland to perform various consulting functions for the Department.

**SECTION 2**. That the expenditure of \$45,000.00, or so much thereof as may be needed, is hereby authorized to be expended from the General Fund as follows: (see attachment 1968-2020)

**Div.:** 42-01 | **Fund:** 1000 | **SubFund:** 100010 | **Obj. Class:** 03 | **Main Acct:** 63050 | **Program:** ED001 | **Amount:** \$45,000.00

SECTION 3. That the City Auditor is authorized to make any accounting changes to revise the funding source for all

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contracts or contract modifications associated with this legislation.

**SECTION 4**. That this Council finds it is in the City's best interest to waive the competitive bidding provisions of City Code Chapter 329.

SECTION 5. That this ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.