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Legislation Text

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The purpose of this ordinance is to authorize Columbus City Council to enter into a grant agreement with Community for New Direction (CND) to provide additional materials for its After-School Program.

The COVID-19 pandemic and subsequent shutdown greatly affected CND's ability to provide its core services, which are almost entirely in-person. Closed schools and daycares led to closing of in-school and after-school programs. Moving forward into the fall, CND is attempting to support students from all districts who are learning remotely. In order to provide programming and continue to help students stay on track, CND is in need of funding to purchase additional technology equipment including ceiling-mounted projectors, smart boards and white boards. These will allow CND to create remote-learning classrooms at its various locations and help students access the programming remotely.

Columbus City Council is supporting this project with \$28,806.00 in funding from the CARES Act fund.

EMERGENCY DESIGNATION: Emergency action is requested in order to immediately provide the funds necessary to assist CND with its After-School Program.

FISCAL IMPACT: Total appropriation is \$28,806.00 and is available within the CARES Act fund.

To authorize Columbus City Council to enter into a grant agreement with Community for New Directions in support of its After-School Program; to authorize a transfer of appropriations within the CARES Act fund; to authorize an expenditure of \$28,806.00 within the CARES Act fund, and to declare an emergency. (\$28,806.00)

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 pandemic has drastically reduced the opportunities to provide in-person social services and affected the revenue stream of many non-profits; and

WHEREAS, Community for New Direction helps youth to make a successful transition to adulthood by educating youth on decision making, refusal skills and decorum, as well as providing recreational activities that exclude the use of alcohol, tobacco and other drugs; and

WHEREAS, the federal CARES Act has provided additional resources for states and cities across the country to address community needs as a result of the COVID-19 outbreak; and

WHEREAS, expenditure of CARES Act funding to provide additional technology equipment including ceiling-mounted projectors, smart boards and white boards; the additional equipment is necessary to address the lack of in-person programming caused by the COVID-19 public health emergency; and

WHEREAS, \$28,806.00 is available in the CARES Act fund for appropriation and expenditure to provide for this need; 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 City of Columbus in that it is immediately necessary

to authorize City Council to enter into a grant agreement with Community for New Direction to ensure it has the additional equipment needed to provide after-school services, all 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 Columbus City Council is hereby authorized to enter into a grant agreement with Community for New Direction in support of its After-School Program.

SECTION 2: That the City Auditor is hereby authorized and directed to transfer appropriations within the CARES Act fund, fund 2207, per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

SECTION 3: That the expenditure of \$28,806.00 or so much thereof as may be needed pursuant to the action authorized in SECTION 1 of this ordinance, is hereby authorized in the CARES Act fund per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

SECTION 4. That this contract is awarded pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 329 that relate to not-for-profit service contracts.

SECTION 5. 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 6. 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 7: That for reasons stated in the preamble hereto, which is hereby made a part hereof, this ordinance is 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.