



## Legislation Text

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**BACKGROUND:** This ordinance authorizes purchase orders in the total amount of \$552,500.00 for Zoll Medical Corporation defibrillators and related consumable supplies from existing Universal Term Contracts (UTCs) for the Division of Fire. The Fire Division needs to purchase these medical devices and supplies for use in daily emergency services and emergency medical service (EMS) operations. The existing Universal Term Contract was established by the Purchasing Office for such purposes with Zoll Medical Corporation. This legislation authorizes the Finance and Management Director to associate all General Budget Reservations resulting from this ordinance with the appropriate Universal Term Contract Purchase Agreement with Zoll Medical Corporation for the purchase of these supplies for the Division of Fire.

This ordinance would authorize the purchase of additional defibrillators to be equipped on more emergency response apparatus specifically to improve response protocols during the COVID-19 pandemic. Additional defibrillators/monitors assigned to response apparatus will reduce the number of apparatus on the emergency scene and thus the amount of time personnel are in close proximity with patients. An increased number of apparatus equipped with these defibrillators will also reduce the number of response personnel in contact with the patient, and eliminate extraneous apparatus on the scene of emergency responses. Vital pre-hospital care would be maintained by emergency response personnel, while further mitigating the threat of exposure over and above current protocols in use during the current pandemic.

**Bid Information:** A Universal Term Contract exists for these purchases: Zoll Medical Corporation (PA004023 / Exp. 08/31/2022)

**Contract Compliance:** Zoll Medical Corporation FID #042711626 / Vendor #000197

**Emergency Designation:** Emergency action is requested to implement improved EMS protocols during the COVID-19 pandemic as soon as possible.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** This ordinance authorizes the expenditure of \$552,500.00 from the CARES Act Fund to purchase defibrillators and related supplies, specifically for the mitigation of the COVID-19 virus.

To authorize the Finance and Management Director to associate all General Budget Reservations resulting from this ordinance with the appropriate Universal Term Contract Purchase Agreement with Zoll Medical Corporation for the purchase of defibrillators and related supplies for the Division of Fire; to authorize the expenditure of \$552,500.00 from the CARES Act Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$552,500.00)

**WHEREAS,** the COVID-19 pandemic has resulted in the need to purchase defibrillators and related supplies specifically to mitigate the spread of the COVID-19 virus; and,

**WHEREAS,** expenditure of CARES Act funding is necessary to address changes required in the ongoing emergency medical services environment of the Division of Fire in order to mitigate the spread of the COVID-19 virus; and,

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

**WHEREAS,** there is a need for the Fire Division to purchase defibrillator supplies for use in daily emergency services and emergency medical service (EMS) operations; and,

**WHEREAS,** a Universal Term Contract/Purchase Agreement has been established by the Purchasing Office for these

purchases; and,

**WHEREAS**, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Division of Fire, Department of Public Safety, in that it is immediately necessary to authorize the Finance and Management Director to associate all General Budget Reservations resulting from this ordinance with the appropriate Universal Term Contract Purchase Agreement(s) with Zoll Medical Corporation in order to maintain adequate levels of such supplies, 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 the Director of Finance and Management be and is hereby authorized to associate all General Budget Reservations resulting from this ordinance with the appropriate Universal Term Contract Purchase Agreement with Zoll Medical Corporation for the purchase of defibrillators and related supplies for the Division of Fire.

**SECTION 2.** That the expenditure of \$552,500.00, or so much thereof as may be necessary, be and is hereby authorized from the CARES Act Fund, per the accounting codes in the attachment 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 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.