



Legislation Text

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BACKGROUND: Ordinance 2161-2020, approved by City Council on October 12, authorized the Board of Health to enter into a contract with Ohio Expositions Commission for space rental services from October 1, 2020 through December 30, 2020. The purpose of this legislation is to authorize the Board of Health to modify and increase the contract for space rental services with Ohio Expositions Commission by \$67,500.00 for an amount not to exceed \$335,250.00. The COVID-19 pandemic has resulted in a need for a large space where COVID-19 testing can be available to many people at once.

Emergency action is requested for this contract in order to ensure Columbus Public Health has space rental services available to continue to test for COVID-19.

FISCAL IMPACT: Funding for these contracts (\$67,500.00) is budgeted within the CARES ACT Fund, Fund No. 2207.

To authorize the Board of Health to modify and increase an existing contract for space rental services with Ohio Expositions Commission; to authorize the expenditure of \$67,500.00 from the CARES ACT Fund for said contract; and to declare an emergency. (\$67,500.00)

WHEREAS, a need exists for space rental services to continue to test for COVID-19; and,

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 pandemic has resulted in an increased need for space to test residents; and

WHEREAS, expenditure of CARES ACT funding to provide space rental services is necessary to address increased interpretation needs caused by the COVID-19 public health emergency; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Health in that it is immediately necessary to authorize the Board to modify the contract for space rental services for the immediate preservation of the public health, peace, property, safety, and welfare; and

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

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

SECTION 1. That the Board of Health is hereby authorized to modify and increase the contract for space rental services for the period of October 1, 2020 through December 30, 2020 with Ohio Expositions Commission.

SECTION 2. That to pay the cost of said contracts, the expenditure of \$67,500.00 is hereby authorized from the CARES ACT Fund, Fund No. 2207, Division No. 5001, Object Class 03, according to the ordinance attachment.

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 necessary.

SECTION 4. That the City Auditor is authorized to make any accounting changes necessary to ensure that this contract is properly accounted for and recorded accurately on the City's financial reports.

SECTION 5. That for 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.