

Legislation Text

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BACKGROUND

This legislation authorizes the Director of the Department of Development to enter into a Grant Agreement, in an amount up to \$3,000,000.00, with the Alcohol, Drug and Mental Health Board of Franklin County (ADAMH) to advance the planning, design and construction of the Franklin County Mental Health and Addiction Crisis Center (Crisis Center). The Crisis Center will be owned by ADAMH who will contract with a provider that will operate the center. This is the first contribution of a three-year capital commitment totaling \$10 million.

The Crisis Center will serve as the cornerstone of our community's continuum of crisis care and a preferred destination for mental health and addiction crisis services, and is intended to decompress hospital emergency departments with the ability to facilitate medical clearances and patient transfers. In addition, the Crisis Center will provide an appropriate and efficient center for law enforcement to take individuals who will be treated at the Crisis Center, with programming designed to align to evidenced based practices to improve outcomes resulting in fewer hospital admissions and reduced readmission rates.

It is estimated that Franklin County's population will grow by 8% over the next 10 years and the Crisis Center's community steering committee estimates they will see a 23% increase in the need for mental health and addiction services over this same period. It is estimated that the volume in year one for the Crisis Center will be 28,000 encounters, and approximately 34,500 encounters by year 10.

The estimated total project budget, including planning and design, construction, fixtures, furnishings, equipment, technology needs, and contingency is initially estimated to be \$50 million. This estimate is based upon the projected volumes and intended service offerings, with approximately 72,000 square feet planned for the Crisis Center.

Emergency action is requested to support ADAMH ensure necessary funding is established to maintain the project schedule.

FISCAL IMPACT: Funding is available in 2020 Capital Improvement Budget.

CONTRACT COMPLIANCE: The vendor number is 006183 (Treasurer Franklin County) and contract compliance is not required of a governmental entity.

To authorize the Director of Development to enter into a Grant Agreement in an amount up to \$3,000,000.00 with the Alcohol, Drug and Mental Health Board of Franklin County (ADAMH) to provide a capital grant supporting the Franklin County Mental Health and Addiction Crisis Center (Crisis Center); to authorize the expenditure of up to \$3,000,000.00; and to declare an emergency. (\$3,000,000.00)

WHEREAS, Columbus City Council approved Ordinance 2521-2020 establishing the 2020 Capital Improvement Budget; and

WHEREAS, the City made a commitment of \$10,000,000.00 for Alcohol, Drug and Mental Health Board of Franklin County (ADAMH) to provide a capital grant supporting their new Crisis Center, to be paid in three installments and the first installment is \$3,000,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the Alcohol, Drug and Mental Health Board of Franklin County (ADAMH) is investing \$50,000,000 in construction of a new Crisis Center; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Development to pass this ordinance as emergency in order to provide funding, 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 the Director of Development be and is hereby authorized to enter into a Grant Agreement, in an amount up to \$3,000,000.00 with the Alcohol, Drug and Mental Health Board of Franklin County (ADAMH) to provide a capital grant supporting their new Crisis Center.

SECTION 2. That for the purpose as stated in Section 1, the expenditure of \$3,000,000.00, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby authorized in fund 7735 (Northland & Other Acquisitions), Project 782017-100000, Dept. 44-01 (Administration), in Object Class 06 (Capital Outlay) per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

SECTION 3. That the City Auditor is hereby authorized to transfer the unencumbered balance in a project account to the unallocated balance account within the same fund upon receipt of certification by the Director of the Department administering said project that the project has been completed and the monies are no longer required for said project.

SECTION 4. 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 5. 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 6. 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 approval by the Mayor, or ten days after passage if the Mayor neither approves nor vetoes the same.