



Legislation Text

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This ordinance authorizes the City Clerk to enter into grant agreements with various organizations in support of summer youth engagement and employment programs.

Through the Reimagine Safety subfund, up to \$216,500 is allocated to distribute to qualified Columbus area nonprofit agencies. Agreements will be issued to the following non-profits organizations: Reaching Higher Heights 4 Life, Community Development for All People, The Cheer Institute, and J. Jireh Development Corporation. The nonprofit organizations will serve at-risk boys and young men of color between the ages of 14-24 to help ease the challenges families face due to the current public health emergency.

The services included in this contract cannot be provided by existing city employees because these services are beyond the City's current responsibility and capacity to provide.

Emergency Designation: Emergency action is requested to ensure that students can benefit from summer employment opportunities.

Fiscal Impact: Funding is available within the Reimagine Safety subfund.

To authorize the City Clerk to enter into grant agreements with various organizations in support of summer youth engagement and employment programs; to authorize an appropriation and transfer within the general fund; to authorize an expenditure within the general fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$216,500.00)

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 pandemic has resulted in the lack of summer employment opportunities; and

WHEREAS, due to the effects of COVID-19, the City of Columbus recognizes many organizations providing summer employment opportunities may not have the capacity to do so in 2022; and

WHEREAS, expenditure of funds is necessary within the Reimagine Safety subfund to address unforeseen needs within the population of boys and young men of color caused by the COVID-19 public health emergency; and,

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the office of the city clerk in that it is immediately necessary to authorize the City Clerk to enter into grant agreements to allow the agencies to immediately provide summer employment opportunities; **NOW, THEREFORE**,

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

SECTION 1. That the City Clerk is hereby authorized to enter into grant agreements with the following organizations in support of summer youth employment and engagement programs:

Reaching Higher Heights 4 Life - \$15,000.00
Community Development for All People - \$90,000.00
The Cheer Institute - \$50,000.00
J. Jireh Development Corporation - \$61,500.00

SECTION 2. That the Auditor is hereby authorized and directed to appropriate \$216,500.00 to Columbus City Council

within the Reimagine Safety fund in object class 10-Transfers, per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

SECTION 3. That the Auditor is hereby authorized and directed to transfer \$216,500.00 from the Reimagine Safety subfund, fund 1000, subfund 100019, to the general fund, fund 1000, subfund 100010, per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

SECTION 4. That the Auditor is hereby authorized and directed to appropriate \$216,500.00 to Columbus City Council within the general fund, fund 1000, subfund 100010, in 03-Services per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

SECTION 5. That per the action authorized in SECTION 1 of this ordinance, the expenditure of \$216,500.00 is hereby authorized.

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 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.