



Legislation Text

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Background:

Economic and Community Development Institute, Inc. (ECDI) is a local community development corporation providing technical assistance, training, and resources to minority-owned small businesses in the construction trades, through a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) subaward grant agreement with the City of Columbus, Department of Finance and Management.

Ordinance 3221-2021 authorized the Department of Finance and Management to appropriate and expend \$200,000.00 of the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) CDBG funding through the ECDI Capital for Construction Technical Assistance and Workshops Program subaward grant agreement.

This ordinance is needed to authorize the Director of the Department of Finance and Management to modify the existing subaward grant agreement to extend the time period of the agreement due to project delays.

Fiscal Impact: There is no additional funding required for this extension.

To authorize the Director of the Department of Finance and Management to modify the CDBG subaward grant agreement for Economic and Community Development Institute, Inc. in the amount of \$200,000.00, in order to extend the period of the agreement for an additional three months, through March 31, 2023; and to declare an emergency. (\$0.00)

WHEREAS, the City is supportive of Economic and Community Development Institute, Inc.'s work to provide minority-owned and low-income businesses with industry-specific training, technical assistance, access to markets and bid opportunities, and connect businesses to working capital; and

WHEREAS, in December 2021, through Ordinance 3221-2021, Council authorized the Director of Finance and Management to appropriate CDBG funds and enter into a subaward grant agreement with ECDI for \$200,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the terms of the agreement provided a time period commencing January 1, 2022 and ending December 31, 2022; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to authorize the Director of Finance and Management to extend this agreement for an additional three months due to unforeseen project delays; and

WHEREAS, no additional funding is required for this extension; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Finance and Management in that it is immediately necessary to authorize the Director to extend this agreement so that the Subrecipient will have the ability to continue their project, avoid disruption in services, and allow grant funds to continue to be available to the Subrecipient;
now therefore

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

SECTION 1. That the Director of Finance and Management is hereby authorized to modify the 2022 CDBG ECDI subaward grant agreement to extend the end date from December 31, 2022 to March 31, 2023.

SECTION 2. 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.