

Legislation Text

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## **BACKGROUND**:

This legislation authorizes an amendment to Ordinance No. 2647-2022 to allow for reimbursement of costs that have been incurred prior to the creation of the purchase order for this grant.

Columbus City Council passed Ordinance 2647-2022 to enter into a grant agreement with the Young Women's Christian Association (YWCA) of Columbus, a not-for-profit Internal Revenue Code (IRC) 501(c)(3) entity, in an amount up to \$30,000.00 to sponsor the Undesign the Redline exhibition.

This amendment is to establish that costs from October 17, 2022 until the creation of the purchase order be eligible for reimbursement. The grant agreement could not be executed before the Undesign the Redline exhibits were facilitated. This amendment will ensure that these costs are reimbursable.

Undesign the Redline is a traveling educational exhibit that explores the history of structural racism and inequality, and how community development policies such as redlining, slum clearance, highway construction and others designed structural racism into American cities. The immersive exhibit creates a platform for Columbus residents to learn the history of these policies, interact with the stories of individuals and neighborhoods impacted, and invent the future of undoing structural inequities.

Through its sponsorship of the exhibit, the City of Columbus will sponsor the Columbus launch of the exhibit at the YWCA's Activists and Agitators program, and community-based deployments of the exhibit at six locations in Columbus between October and December of 2022

Emergency action is requested in order to immediately extend the contract prior to its expiration so that existing funding may be used and avoid a disruption in services.

FISCAL IMPACT: None.

**CONTRACT COMPLIANCE:** Young Women's Christian Association's vendor number is 006086 and expires 3/3/2024.

To amend Ordinance No. 2647-2022 to allow for reimbursement of costs that have been incurred from October 17, 2022 until the creation of the purchase order related to the Undesign Redline exhibits, and to declare an emergency. (\$0.00)

WHEREAS, Columbus City Council passed Ordinance 2647-2022 to enter into a grant agreement with the Young Women's Christian Association (YWCA) of Columbus, a not-for-profit Internal Revenue Code (IRC) 501(c)(3) entity, in an amount up to \$30,000.00 to sponsor the Undesign the Redline exhibition; and

**WHEREAS**, this amendment is to establish that costs from October 17, 2022 until the creation of the purchase order be eligible for reimbursement; and

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**WHEREAS**, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Development in that it is immediately necessary to authorize the Director to amend this ordinance to prevent interruption in services, 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 Section 1 of Ordinance No. 2647-2022, passed October 17, 2022, be amended to read as follows: "SECTION 1. That the Director of the Department of Development is hereby authorized to enter into a grant agreement with Young Women's Christian Association (YWCA) of Columbus, a not-for-profit IRC 501(c)(3) entity, in an amount up to \$30,000.00 to sponsor the Undesign the Redline exhibition and to allow for reimbursement of costs that have been incurred from October 17, 2022.

**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 approval by the Mayor, or ten days after passage if the Mayor neither approves nor vetoes the same.