



## Legislation Text

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### **BACKGROUND:**

This legislation authorizes an amendment to Ordinance No. 1710-2023, passed by Columbus City Council on July 10, 2023, to allow for a correction to the names of three organizations listed in Exhibit A.

Ordinance No. 1710-2023, passed by Columbus City Council on July 10, 2023, authorized the Director of the Department of Recreation and Parks to enter into 32 service contracts for the provision of home-delivered meals, adult day care, transportation, home repair, and legal services for the period July 1, 2023, through September 30, 2024.

Exhibit A included organizations with the names "The Legal Aid Society of Columbus" and "Ohio State Legal Services Association". It recently came to the attention of COAAA that these not-for-profit agencies have undergone a merger in 2024 and are now operating under the name "Legal Aid of Southeast and Central Ohio". As such, COAAA requires a contract modification to continue the services contract for the remainder of the contract period.

Exhibit A also included an organization with the name "Accountable Transportation, LLC." It was recently discovered that the name listed for this organization must be updated to comply with City Auditor requirements. Thus, COAAA must modify the contract by replacing the name from "Accountable Transportation, LLC" to "Fionkina Marina, DBA: Accountable Transportation" to appropriately execute the contract.

### **Emergency Designation**

All other information in Exhibit A remains the same. Emergency action is requested in to prevent delay in services to older adults and people with disabilities in the Central Ohio region.

### **Fiscal Impact**

This ordinance does not require any additional expenditures.

To amend Ordinance No. 1710-2023, passed by Columbus City Council on July 10, 2023, to allow for a correction of the name of three (3) of the organizations in Exhibit A, from "The Legal Aid Society of Columbus" and "Ohio State Legal Services Association" to "Legal Aid of Southeast and Central Ohio", and "Accountable Transportation, LLC" to "Fionkina Marina, DBA: Accountable Transportation, LLC"; and to declare an emergency.

**WHEREAS**, Ordinance No. 1710-2023, passed by Columbus City Council on July 10, 2023, authorized the Director of the Department of Recreation and Parks to enter into 32 service contracts for the provision of home-delivered meals, adult day care, transportation, home repair, and legal services for the period July 1, 2023 through September 30, 2024.

**WHEREAS**, Exhibit A of Ordinance No. 1710-2023 included organizations with the names "The Legal Aid Society of Columbus" and "Ohio State Legal Services Association"; and

**WHEREAS**, The not-for-profit agencies "The Legal Aid Society of Columbus" and "Ohio State Legal Services Association" have undergone a merger in 2024 and are now operating under the name "Legal Aid of Southeast and

Central Ohio”. As such, COAAA requires a contract modification to continue the services contract for the remainder of the contract period; and

**WHEREAS**, Exhibit A of Ordinance No. 1710-2023 included an organization with the name “Accountable Transportation, LLC”; and

**WHEREAS**, the name listed for “Accountable Transportation, LLC” must be updated to comply with City Auditor requirements. Thus, COAAA must modify the contract by replacing the name from “Accountable Transportation, LLC” to “Fionkina Marina, DBA: Accountable Transportation” to appropriately execute the contract; and

**WHEREAS**, the Director of the Department of Recreation and Parks requests that Ordinance No. 1710-2023 be amended in order to correct the organization names; and

**WHEREAS**, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Recreation and Parks in that it is immediately necessary to amend Ordinance 1710-2023, passed by Columbus City Council on July 10, 2023, to reflect the 2024 merger of "The Legal Aid Society of Columbus" and "Ohio State Legal Services Association" to "Legal Aid of Southeast and Central Ohio" and the name change of "Accountable Transportation, LLC," to "Fionkina Marina, DBA: Accountable Transportation, LLC prevent delay in the delivery of services to older adults and people with disabilities in the Central Ohio region, all for the immediate preservation of the public health, peace, property, safety and welfare; and **now, therefore,**

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

**SECTION 1.** That Exhibit A of Ordinance No. 1710-2023, passed by Columbus City Council on July 10, 2023, be amended to read as follows, with deletion stricken and new language in bold: ~~The Legal Aid Society of Columbus and Ohio State Legal Services Association~~ amended to **Legal Aid of Southeast and Central Ohio**; and ~~Accountable Transportation, LLC~~ to **Fionkina Marina, DBA: Accountable Transportation**.

**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 which 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.