



Legislation Text

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This legislation amends Ordinance 0001-2024, which was approved by Columbus City Council on January 8, 2024. That ordinance authorized the Director of Public Utilities to enter into sub-recipient agreements for the Climate Pollution Reduction Grant with the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC), IMPACT Community Action, Power a Clean Future Ohio (PCFO), and The Ohio State University. The agreed upon amount for The Ohio State University was incorrect in Ordinance 0001-2024. This ordinance corrects the error.

CORE PROJECT TEAM AND SUB-RECIPIENTS

1. The Ohio State University | D365 Vendor #006163 | Federal EIN on file | Expires 3/29/2025 |
 - o Governmental/Education institution

Ohio State is not debarred according to the Excluded Party Listing System of the Federal Government or prohibited from being awarded a contract according to the Auditor of State Unresolved Findings for Recovery Certified Search

FISCAL IMPACT

\$0.00

Acceptance of the \$1,000,000.00 grant award, its appropriation, and expenditure were authorized under ORD 3255-2023, and the authorization to enter into agreements with the respective sub-recipients was authorized under ORD 0001-2024.

EMERGENCY DESIGNATION

The grant allows work prior to the award dating and back to 6/19/2023 to be included in funding disbursements. This ordinance is being submitted as an emergency in order to (1) expedite payment to sub-recipients; (2) comply with US EPA general terms and conditions for reimbursements; (3) and due to the first deliverable submission deadline in March 2024.

To amend Ordinance 0001-2024 to correct an error in the sub-recipient contract amount with The Ohio State University, as part of the Climate Pollution Reduction Grant, by increasing the contract amount from \$120,000.00 to \$220,000.00; and to declare an emergency. (\$0.00)

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Utilities (DPU) was awarded a Climate Pollution Reduction Planning Grant from the United States Environmental Protection Agency (US EPA) in the amount of \$1,000,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the grant provides funding under the Inflation Reduction Act (IRA) to develop regional climate mitigation plans to address greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions and co-pollutants and reduction measures throughout the entire

metropolitan area and to conduct meaningful engagement with low- income and disadvantaged communities and coordinate with geographically proximate tribes as appropriate; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance 3255-2023 authorized the Director of Public Utilities to accept the \$1,000,000.00 grant award from the US EPA for the Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (G602301) and authorized its appropriation and expenditure; and

WHEREAS, the US EPA approved DPU's proposed budget and sub-recipients associated with the grant; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance 0001-2024 authorized the Director of Public Utilities to enter into sub-recipient agreements for the Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (G602301) with the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC), IMPACT Community Action, Power a Clean Future Ohio (PCFO), and The Ohio State University; and

WHEREAS, the amount authorized for the contract with The Ohio State University incorrectly listed \$120,000.00, whereas the agreed upon amount with The Ohio State University was \$220,000, and this amendment corrects the error; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Public Utilities, in that it is immediately necessary to amend Ordinance 0001-2024 to correct the authorized amount for the grant subrecipient agreement with The Ohio State University, without delay, for the immediate preservation of the public health, peace, property and safety; now, therefore

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

SECTION 1. That Ordinance 0001-2024 is hereby amended as follows:

“**SECTION 1.** That the Director of Public Utilities is hereby authorized to enter into sub-recipient awards for the Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (G602301) with the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC) (\$167,500), IMPACT Community Action (\$0), Power a Clean Future Ohio (PCFO) (\$131,000), and The Ohio State University (~~\$120,000~~\$220,000.00).

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.”