



Legislation Text

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Background:

This ordinance authorizes the Director of the Department of Neighborhoods to enter into grant agreements with Hilltop Rise Economic Community Development Corporation, Greater Linden Business Network and Franklinton Development Association, in alignment with the One Linden and Envision Hilltop Plans to improve the quality of life for residents. These grant agreements may include reasonable food and non-alcoholic beverages for participants of the programs which expenditure is hereby deemed to be a valid public purpose in that such purchase will address the immediate needs of program participants. Costs will not exceed \$15 per person and any purchase of alcohol is strictly prohibited.

This support is in accordance with the relevant provisions of City Code Chapter 329 that relate to not-for-profit service contracts. The services included in this agreement cannot be provided by existing city employees because these services are beyond the City's current responsibility and capacity to provide.

Emergency action is requested in order to avoid any delay in providing the resources necessary to support the community-based projects.

Fiscal Impact: Funding is available within the general fund.

Contract Compliance

044897 Hilltop Rise Economic Community Development Corporation and is valid 3/28/25

055222 Franklinton Development Association and is valid 4/7/25

031181 Greater Linden Development Network and is valid 5/16/25

To authorize the Director of the Department of Neighborhoods to enter into grant agreements with Hilltop Rise Economic Community Development Corporation, Greater Linden Business Network and Franklinton Development Association, in alignment with the One Linden and Envision Hilltop Plans, effective January 1, 2024; to authorize the expenditure from the general fund; to authorize the payment for reasonable food and non-alcoholic beverages for participants of programs. Costs will not exceed \$15 per person and any purchase of alcohol is strictly prohibited; and to declare an emergency. (\$147,800.00)

WHEREAS, Hilltop Rise Economic Community Development Corporation will organize litter cleanups and education to curb illegal dumping in business corridors in the Hilltop community, Franklinton Development Association will provide financial literacy to Hilltop residents and Greater Linden Business Network will provide technical assistance and training to non-real estate and small-scale real estate investment businesses in Linden; and

WHEREAS, this funding will allow organizations to advance work that will improve outcomes and environments for residents; and

WHEREAS, some programs will provide food and non-alcoholic beverages to participants; and

WHEREAS, such expenditure of funds has been accounted for in the 2024 Budget; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists such that it is immediately necessary to authorize a grant agreements with Hilltop Rise Economic Community Development Corporation, Greater Linden Business Network and Franklinton Development Association to avoid any delay in providing the resources necessary to serve residents and for the immediate preservation

of the public health and safety; **NOW, THEREFORE,**

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

SECTION 1. That the Director of the Department of Neighborhoods is hereby authorized to enter into a grant agreements with the Hilltop Rise Economic Community Development Corporation, Greater Linden Business Network and Franklinton Development Association in support of projects that align with the One Linden and Envision Hilltop Plan's to improve the quality of life for residents, effective January 1, 2024; to authorize payment for food and non-alcoholic beverages for the participants of the programs included in the grant agreement. Costs will not exceed \$15 per person and any purchase of alcohol is strictly prohibited.

SECTION 2. That per the action authorized in Section 1 of this ordinance, the expenditure of \$147,800.00 within General Fund 1000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby authorized per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

SECTION 3. That the funds necessary to carry out the purpose of this ordinance are hereby deemed appropriated, and the City Auditor shall establish such accounting codes as necessary.

SECTION 4. 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 ordinance and to make any accounting changes necessary to ensure that these contracts are properly accounted for and recorded accurately on the City's financial records.

SECTION 5. That for reasons stated in the preamble hereto, which is hereby made a part hereof, this ordinance is hereby declared an emergency measure and shall take effect and be enforced from and after its passage and approval by the Mayor, or ten days after passage if the Mayor neither approves nor vetoes the same.