



# City of Columbus

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## Legislation Text

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**BACKGROUND:** Each year, the Immunizations Program at Columbus Public Health offers flu shots, COVID-19, and other back-to-school vaccinations to the residents of Columbus and Franklin County. To ensure having the inventory needed for the upcoming year, pre-booking through the manufacturers is the most reliable method of ordering those vaccines. Pre-booking also guarantees on-time delivery and heavily discounted 340B Program pricing. As such, this ordinance requests a waiver of the competitive bidding provisions of City Code Chapter 329 per the attached bid waiver.

This ordinance authorizes the Director of Finance and Management, on behalf of the Board of Health, to establish purchase orders with the following vendors as needed in an amount not to exceed \$200,000.00 for the purchase of vaccinations.

Sanofi-Pasteur, Inc.  
Pfizer, Inc.  
Moderna US, Inc.

Total vaccine purchases in an amount not to exceed \$200,000.00.

This ordinance is contingent on the passing of Ordinance 2939-2025 to accept and appropriate the FY26 Health Special Revenue Fund.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** Monies for this purchase order were budgeted in the Health Special Revenue Fund for fiscal year 2025. (\$200,000.00) This ordinance will authorize one ACPO in the amount of \$200,000.00 to encumber funds for purchases of these vaccines.

To authorize the Director of Finance and Management to establish purchase orders with Sanofi-Pasteur, Inc., Pfizer, Inc., and Moderna US., Inc., for the purchase of vaccinations for Board of Health; to waive the competitive bidding provisions of City Code; and to authorize the expenditure of \$200,000.00 from the Health Special Revenue Fund. (\$200,000.00)

**WHEREAS,** each year, Columbus Public Health Immunizations Program offers vaccinations to the residents of Columbus; and,

**WHEREAS,** Columbus Public Health is in need of vaccinations for 2026; and,

**WHEREAS,** Columbus Public Health needs to place a reservation directly with the vaccine manufacturers Sanofi-Pasteur, Inc., Moderna US, Inc., and Pfizer, Inc., to be able to purchase the needed vaccines; and,

**WHEREAS,** it is in the City's best interest to waive competitive bidding provision of Chapter 329 of the Columbus City Codes to utilize 340B pricing; and,

**WHEREAS,** it has become necessary in the usual daily operation of the Immunization Program to ensure availability of necessary vaccines; **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 establish a purchase order with Sanofi-Pasteur, Inc., Moderna US, Inc., and Pfizer, Inc., for the purchase of various vaccines.

**SECTION 2.** That the expenditure of \$200,00.00 is hereby authorized from the Health Special Revenue Fund, Fund No. 2250, per the attached accounting document.

**SECTION 3.** That this Council finds it is in the best interest of the city to waive the relevant provisions of Chapter 329 of City Code relating to competitive bidding to permit the aforementioned purchase.

**SECTION 4.** 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 5.** That the City Auditor is authorized to make any accounting changes to revise the funding source for all purchases associated with this ordinance.

**SECTION 6.** That this ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.