



Legislation Text

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Councilwoman Whitman

Authorizing the Mayor to enter into a professional services agreement with Cities United, a project of the Tides Center, for the development and implementation of a comprehensive public safety and violence reduction plan; authorizing the appropriation and expenditure of \$180,000 from the Local Fiscal Recovery Fund; waiving the competitive bidding requirements of TMC 187; and declaring an emergency.

SUMMARY & BACKGROUND:

The purpose of this ordinance is to make funding available to engage the consulting services of Cities United, a project of the Tides Center, to assist the city with developing a comprehensive public safety and violence reduction plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, Be it ordained by the Council of the City of Toledo:

SECTION 1. That the Mayor is authorized to enter into a professional services agreement with Cities United, a project of the Tides Center, for the development and implementation of a comprehensive public safety and violence reduction plan, upon terms and conditions acceptable to the Director of Law and Director of Public Safety and consistent with American Rescue Plan Act regulations.

SECTION 2. That appropriation of \$180,000 is authorized from the Local Fiscal Recovery Fund to Account Code 2021-10202-3SAVECOMTYNEI for the development and implementation of a comprehensive public safety and violence reduction plan and the expenditure of same is authorized.

SECTION 3. That this Council finds and determines it in the best interest of the city to waive the competitive bidding requirements of TMC 187 for the reason that Cities United provides unique services in its Custom Coaching and Capacity Building Package for planning, implementation and development of an action plan to reduce community violence and improve the public safety infrastructure of the city.

SECTION 4. That the Director of Finance is authorized to draw their warrant or warrants against the above Account Code in payment of the obligations authorized above in an amount not to exceed \$180,000 upon presentation of proper voucher or vouchers.

SECTION 5. That this Ordinance is declared to be an emergency measure and shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage. The reason for the emergency lies in the fact that this Ordinance is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, and safety of the citizens, and for the further reason that the Ordinance must be immediately effective to timely develop and implement a comprehensive public safety and violence reduction plan.

Vote on emergency clause: yeas 11, nays 0.

Passed: May 30, 2023, as an emergency measure: yeas 8, nays 3.

Attest:

Gerald E. Dendinger
Clerk of Council

Matt Cherry
President of Council

Approved:

May 30, 2023
Wade Kapszukiewicz
Mayor