

Introduced by \_\_\_\_\_

First Reading \_\_\_\_\_

Second Reading \_\_\_\_\_

Ordinance No. \_\_\_\_\_

Council Bill No. B 333-20

**AN ORDINANCE**

authorizing and ratifying an agreement with Boone County, Missouri for administration of CARES funding for a small business recovery grant program; authorizing and ratifying an amendment to an agreement with Benevate, Inc. for software to manage housing and community development programs; declaring an emergency for enactment.

WHEREAS, the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act provided emergency funding for local governments to address the adverse effects of the COVID-19 epidemic; and

WHEREAS, the funds allocated by the State of Missouri to the County of Boone for distribution for reimbursement of extraordinary expenditures due to COVID-19 occurring between March 27, 2020 and December 30, 2020 are required to be expended by March 31, 2021 or such funds revert back to the State of Missouri; and

WHEREAS, the City of Columbia has the capacity to assist the County of Boone with administration of a grant program for the benefit of businesses located within the City of Columbia and the County of Boone; and

WHEREAS, the County of Boone requires the funds expended under its Small Business Assistance Program to be completed before December 18, 2020 with all unused funds returned to the County on December 28, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds it is necessary to preserve the public health, safety and welfare to authorize such agreements as an emergency ordinance on the day of introduction so that it may go into effect immediately.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBIA, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The City Council hereby authorizes and ratifies an agreement with Boone County, Missouri for administration of CARES funding for a small business recovery grant program. The form and content of the agreement shall be substantially as set forth in "Exhibit A" attached hereto and made a part hereof.

SECTION 2. The City Council hereby authorizes and ratifies an agreement with Benevate, Inc. for software to manage housing and community development programs. The form and content of the agreement shall be substantially as set forth in "Exhibit B" attached hereto and made a part hereof.

SECTION 3. Emergency clause, effective date and duration. This ordinance is enacted as an emergency ordinance within the meaning of Article II of Section 15 of the Home Rule Charter of the City. This ordinance shall go into effect immediately after its passage by six-sevenths (6/7) of the members of the City Council.

PASSED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2020.

ATTEST:

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City Clerk

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Mayor and Presiding Officer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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City Counselor