



Department Source: Public Health and Human Services

To: City Council

From: City Manager & Staff

Council Meeting Date: November 20, 2023

Re: Columbia Center for Urban Agriculture Contract

## Executive Summary

A resolution authorizing the City Manager to sign an agreement for services between Columbia Center for Urban Agriculture (CCUA) and the City of Columbia, MO.

## Discussion

The City of Columbia received \$25.2 million in American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds to address the public health and economic impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic. On October 2, 2023, the City Council approved a resolution that instructed staff to negotiate agreements for Council consideration utilizing the ARPA funds. This agreement with CCUA addresses one of the five priority areas, workforce development and support. Under this agreement CCUA will provide job coaching services to at-risk Veteran participants. The goal of the program is to increase employment for Veterans through paid job training in farming, gardening, and landscaping and soft-skill development. The agreement is for \$86,000 and will end on January 31, 2027.

## Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: This would issue \$86,000 for a project which is funded with City ARPA funds.

Long-Term Impact: none.

## Strategic & Comprehensive Plan Impact

### Strategic Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Resilient Economy, Secondary Impact: Reliable and Sustainable Infrastructure, Tertiary Impact: Inclusive and Equitable Community

### Comprehensive Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Economic Development, Secondary Impact: Land Use & Growth Management, Tertiary Impact: Environmental Management

## Legislative History

Date	Action
10/02/2023	R154-23 A Resolution Allocating \$25,284,624.00 in American Rescue Plan Funds and authorizing the City Manager to negotiate any agreements or other documents consistent with such allocations



# City of Columbia

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## Suggested Council Action

Authorize the City Manager to sign the agreement for services between the City of Columbia, MO and Columbia Center for Urban Agriculture.