

**CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION
LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY**



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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2024-297

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council Member Johnson

Date of Introduction: April 9, 2024

Committee(s) of Reference: F, NCSPHS, R

Date of Analysis: April 11, 2024

Type of Action: Appropriation of funds; invoking an exemption in the Ordinance Code; waiving sections of the Ordinance Code; request for one-cycle emergency passage

Bill Summary: This bill appropriates \$300,000 from the Safety & Crime Reduction Contingency Account to a grants and aids line item for grants in the amount of \$8,571 each to be made to 35 organizations recommended by the Safety & Crime Reduction Commission. It invokes an exemption in the section of the Ordinance Code that specifies the procurement of these supplies and services are exempt from competitive solicitation as they are to be provided by those specifically prescribed within authorizing legislation that appropriates the same. It waives the section of the Ordinance Code prohibiting direct contracting with nonprofit entities and the section to allow for the payment of \$8,571 to these organizations prior to performance of services for start-up costs and services. It designates the Office of Grants and Contract Compliance of the Finance and Administration Department as the oversight department for the project and requests one-cycle emergency passage so that the selected grant recipients can provide their services during the summer months when schools are closed.

Background Information: The Safety and Crime Reduction Commission met on April 1, 2024, to review and approve the small grant program authorized by this legislation. 100 nonprofit entities were considered for this opportunity, and the top 35 of these organizations were chosen by the Commission to receive grants through this program.

Policy Impact Area: Crime prevention

Fiscal Impact: This bill appropriates \$300,000 from the Safety & Crime Reduction Contingency Account to provide small grants to nonprofit entities engaged in practices deemed to reduce crime.

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