

Ordinance No. 666-2025

**By Council Member Griffin
(by departmental request)**

AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE

Authorizing the Director of Finance to apply for and participate in the Ohio Department of Medicaid Supplemental Payment Program pursuant to Section 5164.96 of the Revised Code and Rule 5160-15-30 of the Ohio Administrative Code, during the state budget biennium beginning on July 1, 2025, and ending on June 30, 2027; and to amend Contract No. CT-1503-PS2024*0386 with Quick Med Claims, LLC to provide the professional services necessary to support the City's application and implement the City's supplemental reimbursement program.

WHEREAS, that Section 5164.96 of the Revised Code establishes a supplemental payment program through the Ohio Department of Medicaid ("ODM") to provide supplemental medicaid payments to eligible ground emergency medical transportation service providers; and

WHEREAS, Rule 5160-15-30 of the Ohio Administrative Code sets forth the process for eligible government-operated emergency medical service providers for requesting participation in the supplemental payment program with ODM, which includes the submission of the following: proof of voluntary participation election; an agreement with ODM setting forth the responsibilities of the parties; and the data necessary for ODM to establish payment ceilings and supplemental pay gaps; and

WHEREAS, the City's participation in the supplemental program is anticipated to provide substantial financial benefit to the City by bridging the gap between operational costs and actual medicaid payments received for ambulance transports, and will support the sustainability of emergency medical transports provided by the City; and

WHEREAS, the City, through its Director of Finance, entered into Contract No. CT-1503-PS2024*0386 (the "Contract") with Quick Med Claims, LLC ("Contractor") to provide emergency medical transportation billing and reimbursement services, and the Director wishes to amend the scope of the Contract to include the professional services necessary to support the City's application for participation in the supplemental payment program and implement the City's supplemental reimbursement program if its application is successful, in addition to billing and reimbursement services;

WHEREAS, this ordinance constitutes an emergency measure providing for the usual daily operation of a municipal department; now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CLEVELAND:

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Section 1. That the Director of Finance is authorized to execute and submit all necessary applications and documentation on behalf of the City, including an agreement with the Ohio Department of Medicaid setting forth responsibilities of the parties, to participate in the Ohio Medicaid Supplemental Payment Program as established by Section 5164.96 of the Revised Code and implemented by Rule 5160-15-30 of the Ohio Administrative Code, during the state budget biennium beginning on July 1, 2025, and ending on June 30, 2027 (the “Program”).

Section 2. That the Director of Finance is further authorized to amend the Contract to provide the professional services necessary to support the City’s application for participation in the Program and implement the City’s supplemental reimbursement program if its application is successful, at a cost agreeable to the Director and calculated in terms of percentages of revenue collected during each year of participation in the Program.

Section 3. That the amendment to the Contract shall be prepared by the Director of Law and shall contain any terms and conditions as required to protect the interests of the City.

Section 4. That this ordinance is declared to be an emergency measure and, provided it receives the affirmative vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to Council, it shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor; otherwise it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

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5-19-2025
FOR: Director Barrett

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READ FIRST TIME on MAY 19, 2025.

and referred to DIRECTORS of Finance, Law;

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