

Ordinance No. 361-2026

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

AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE

Authorizing the Director of Finance, on behalf of the Mayor’s Office of Prevention, Intervention and Opportunity, to enter into one or more contracts with Making A Difference Consulting, LLC for the purpose of providing an eight-week long summer program focused on well-being, and college/career readiness for youths in the age range of 11 to 17 years under the City’s Out of School Time Program, for a period of one year, with two one-year options to renew, exercisable by the Director of Finance.

WHEREAS, the Mayor’s Office of Prevention, Intervention and Opportunity (“MPIO”) develops and implements family-centered programs designed to support youth and young adults and establishes strategic external partnerships to address the social determinants of health; and

WHEREAS, the mission of MPIO includes preventing violence and trauma impacting youth, families, and communities by advancing coordinated, community-based strategies that promote safety, stability, and overall well-being; and

WHEREAS, MPIO seeks to enter into multiple contracts with various entities to administer and implement the Out of School Time Program (“OST”), which program involves providing a comprehensive range of youth enrichment and expanded learning activities within accessible community spaces during after-school hours and or any other periods when schools are not in session; and

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:

Section 1. That the Director of Finance, on behalf of MPIO, is authorized to enter into one or more contracts with Making A Difference Consulting, LLC (“Contractor”), an Ohio limited liability company, for the purpose of providing an eight-week long summer program focused on well-being, and college/career readiness for youths in the age range of 11-17 years, on the basis of Contractor’s proposal dated November 21, 2025 and revised on February 2, 2026, for a term of one year, with two one-year options to renew, exercisable by the Director of Finance. The cost of the contract or contracts shall not exceed one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000.00).

Section 2. That the cost of the contract or contracts shall be paid from Fund No. 01-0114-6380. (RQS 0114, RL 2026-07)

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Section 3. 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.

VG:uo
3-23-26

FOR: Director Barrett

