

January 31, 2024

**To:** Mayor and Members of City Council  
**From:** Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager  
**Subject:** **Emergency Ordinance – Health: Ohio Department of Development (ODOD) Lead Safe Ohio Program Grant**

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Attached is an Emergency Ordinance captioned:

**AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant of up to \$2,000,000 from the Ohio Department of Development Lead Safe Ohio Program (ALN 21.027) to provide resources to the Cincinnati Health Department to assist with lead-free building certification, screening and testing for lead poisoning, education and outreach, and early intervention for children and families impacted by lead; and **AUTHORIZING** the Director of Finance to deposit the grant funds into Public Health Research Fund revenue account no. 350x8556.

Approval of this Emergency Ordinance authorizes the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant of up to \$2,000,000 from the Ohio Department of Development Lead Safe Ohio Program (ALN 21.027) to provide resources to the Cincinnati Health Department to assist with lead-free building certification, screening and testing for lead poisoning, education and outreach, and early intervention for children and families impacted by lead. This Emergency Ordinance further authorizes the Finance Director to deposit the grant funds into Public Health Research Fund revenue account no. 350x8556.

The City already applied for this grant on September 13, 2023, but no grant funds will be accepted without the approval of the City Council.

No additional FTEs/full time equivalents or local matching funds are required to accept this grant.

Acceptance of this grant is in accordance with the “Sustain” goal to “[b]ecome a healthier Cincinnati” as described on pages 181-192 of Plan Cincinnati (2012).

The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to accept and appropriate the grant funds as the grant program began on December 1, 2023.

The Administration recommends passage of this Emergency Ordinance.

cc: Andrew M. Dudas, Budget Director  
Karen Alder, Finance Director

Attachment

