

October 16, 2024

To: Mayor and Members of City Council 202402173

From: Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager

Subject: Emergency Ordinance - OES: Accept USDN Resilience Hub Grant

Attached is an Emergency Ordinance captioned:

AUTHORIZING the City Manager to accept and appropriate a grant of up to \$30,000 from the Urban Sustainability Directors Network under the Resilience Hub Fund for Resilient Power Systems to Environment and Sustainability Fund 436 to perform a resilience hub assessment, prepare a resilience hub plan, and conduct an energy audit with solar assessment at the Urban League of Greater Southwest Ohio offices in the Avondale neighborhood; and **AUTHORIZING** the Director of Finance to deposit the grant resources into Environment and Sustainability Fund revenue account no. 436x8571.

Approval of this Emergency Ordinance authorizes the City Manager to accept and appropriate a grant of up to \$30,000 from the Urban Sustainability Director's Network ("USDN") under the Resilience Hub Fund for Resilient Power Systems to Environment and Sustainability Fund 436 to perform a resilience hub assessment, prepare a resilience hub plan, and conduct an energy audit with solar assessment at the Urban League of Greater Southwest Ohio offices in the Avondale neighborhood.

On September 11, 2024, the City Council passed Ordinance No. 0286-2024, which authorized the City Manager to apply for this USDN grant. City Council approval is required to accept and appropriate the grant.

This grant does not require matching resources or new FTEs/full time equivalents.

Developing a resilience hub assessment and plan is in accordance with the "Sustain" goal to "[b]ecome a healthier Cincinnati" and strategy to "[c]reate a healthy environment and reduce energy consumption" and the "Collaborate" goal to "[s]peak in a unified voice with other entities to reach regional goals" and strategy to "[a]ctively coordinate our regional efforts" as described on pages 181-186 and 213-216 of Plan Cincinnati (2012).

The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to accept and appropriate the grant resources.

The Administration recommends passage of this Emergency Ordinance.

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

