

January 4, 2024

202400033

To:

Mayor and Members of City Council

From:

Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager

Subject:

Emergency Ordinance - CRC: Ohio Child Care Resource and

Referral Association (OCCRRA) Grant

Attached is an Emergency Ordinance captioned:

AUTHORIZING the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate grant resources of up to \$760,620 from the Ohio Child Care Stabilization Sub-Grant, part of the Child Care and Development Block Grant (ALN 93.575), through the Ohio Child Care Resource and Referral Association and the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services to support up to thirteen of the Cincinnati Recreation Commission's licensed neighborhood childcare programs; and AUTHORIZING the Director of Finance to deposit grant resources, if awarded, into Recreational Federal Grant Projects Fund 324.

Approval of this Emergency Ordinance would authorize the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate grant resources of up to \$760,620 from the Ohio Child Care Stabilization Sub-Grant, part of the Child Care and Development Block Grant, through the Ohio Child Care Resource and Referral Association (OCCRRA) and the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services (ODJFS). Additionally, the ordinance authorizes the Director of Finance to deposit grant resources, if awarded, into Recreational Federal Grant Projects Fund 324.

The grant does not require matching funds. CRC has already applied for this grant but will not accept any grant resources without City Council approval.

Utilizing grant resources to support CRC's licensed neighborhood childcare programs is in accordance with the "Collaborate" goal to "[w]ork in synergy with the Cincinnati community" and strategy to "[u]nite our communities" as described on pages 209-212 of Plan Cincinnati (2012).

The reason for the emergency is the need to ensure the rapid deployment of grant resources that must be utilized by June 30, 2024.

The Administration recommends passage of this Emergency Ordinance.

cc:

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

Attachment

