

revenue account no. 312x8527.

## **EMERGENCY**

## City of Cincinnati

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## An Ordinance No. 20

**AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant of up to \$500,000 from the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency to assist with the cost of replacing public and private lead service lines at licensed childcare facilities in the Greater Cincinnati Water Works service area; and **AUTHORIZING** the Director of Finance to receive and deposit grant funds for public lead service line replacement into Water Works Capital Permanent Improvement Fund revenue account no. 756x8527, and to receive and deposit grant funds for private lead service line replacement into Water Works Private Lead Service Line Replacement Special Revenue Fund

WHEREAS, funding is available from the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency in the form of a grant to public water systems for lead service line replacement projects; and

WHEREAS, Greater Cincinnati Water Works ("GCWW") identified 113 licensed childcare facilities in the GCWW service area that require either partial or full lead service line replacement including, but not limited to, facilities in the neighborhoods of Avondale, Bond Hill, Carthage, College Hill, CUF, Mt. Auburn, North Avondale, East Price Hill, West Price Hill, Westwood, Sedamsville, Spring Grove Village, South Fairmount, South Cumminsville, and the West End; and

WHEREAS, childcare facilities are a high priority for lead service line replacement due to the vulnerability of children under age six to the hazardous effects of lead; and

WHEREAS, the City has already applied for the grant, and the grant was awarded on February 27, 2025, but no grant funds will be accepted without approval by Council; and

WHEREAS, this grant does not require matching funds, and there are no new FTEs/full time equivalents associated with this grant; and

WHEREAS, replacing public and private lead service lines at licensed childcare facilities in the GCWW service area 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" as described on pages 181-186 of Plan Cincinnati (2012); now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Cincinnati, State of Ohio:

Section 1. That the City Manager is authorized to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant of up to \$500,000 from the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency to assist with the cost of replacing public and private lead service lines at licensed childcare facilities in the Greater Cincinnati Water Works service area.

Section 2. That the Director of Finance is authorized to receive and deposit grant funds for public lead service line replacement into Water Works Capital Permanent Improvement Fund revenue account no. 756x8527, and to receive and deposit grant funds for private lead service line replacement into Water Works Private Lead Service Line Replacement Special Revenue Fund revenue account no. 312x8527.

Section 3. That the proper City officials are authorized to do all things necessary and proper to carry out the terms of the grant and Sections 1 through 2.

Section 4. That this ordinance shall be an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, safety, and general welfare and shall, subject to the terms of Article II, Section 6 of the Charter, be effective immediately. The reason for the emergency is the need to immediately accept grant resources and begin work to remove lead service lines to protect children from the risk of lead exposure.

Passed: AWI 14 , 2025

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Aftab Pureval, Mayor

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