

**AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant of up to \$12,000 from UnitedHealthcare Services, Inc. to fund an on-site retinal screening program at the Bobbie Sterne Health Center; and **AUTHORIZING** the Director of Finance to deposit the grant resources into Public Health Research Fund revenue account no. 350x8571.

WHEREAS, a one-time grant of up to \$12,000 is available to a federally qualified health center (“FQHC”) in Hamilton County from UnitedHealthcare Services, Inc. (“United”) to purchase a retinal imager and enable on-site retinal screening for diabetic patients; and

WHEREAS, this program aims to improve access to comprehensive diabetes care by addressing the high rate of incomplete eye exams among Hamilton County residents with diabetes, with a particular focus on reducing racial disparities in care; and

WHEREAS, retinal screening is a key component of evidence-based diabetes management and helps identify and prevent vision complications associated with diabetic retinopathy; and

WHEREAS, grant activities include the planning, implementation, and evaluation of a retinal screening initiative with a formal quality improvement component, which will involve data collection, progress tracking, and the development of a referral pathway to follow-up eye care when needed to improve outcomes for diabetic patients; and

WHEREAS, the City already applied for this grant and United has already selected the City as the grant recipient, with program activities to be carried out at the Bobbie Sterne Health Center, 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 FTE/full time equivalents associated with this grant; and

WHEREAS, acceptance of this grant is in accordance with the “Sustain” goal to “[b]ecome a healthier Cincinnati” as described on page 181 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 \$12,000 from UnitedHealthcare Services, Inc. to fund an on-site retinal screening program at the Bobbie Sterne Health Center.

Section 2. That the Director of Finance is authorized to deposit the grant resources into Public Health Research Fund revenue account no. 350x8571.

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

Section 4. That this ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Passed: \_\_\_\_\_, 2025

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Aftab Pureval, Mayor

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk