

March 8, 2023

To: Mayor and Members of City Council

From: Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager



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**Subject: Emergency Ordinance – Cincinnati Recreation Commission:
Accept & Appropriate Ohio Child Care Stabilization Sub-Grant**

Attached is an Emergency Ordinance captioned:

AUTHORIZING the City Manager to accept and appropriate a grant in an amount of up to \$2,535,400 from the Ohio Child Care Stabilization Sub-Grant through the Ohio Child Care Resource and Referral Association and the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services (ALN 93.575) for the purpose of supporting approximately thirteen Cincinnati Recreation Commission licensed neighborhood childcare programs; and **AUTHORIZING** the Finance Director to deposit the grant funds into Recreation Federal Grant Projects Fund 324.

Approval of this Emergency Ordinance will authorize the City Manager to accept and appropriate a grant award of \$2,535,400 from the Ohio Child Care Stabilization Sub-Grant through the Ohio Child Care Resource and Referral Association (OCCRRA) and the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services (ODJFS) for the purpose of supporting approximately thirteen Cincinnati Recreation Commission (CRC) licensed neighborhood childcare programs. This Emergency Ordinance also authorizes the Finance Director to deposit the grant funds into Recreation Federal Grant Projects Fund 324.

On November 16, 2022, the City Council approved Ordinance No. 0353-2022, which authorized the City Manager to apply for grant resources in an amount up to \$2,535,400 from the Ohio Child Care Stabilization Sub-Grant through the OCCRRA and ODJFS for the purpose of supporting approximately thirteen of the CRC's licensed neighborhood childcare programs. CRC has since been notified of the grant award in the full amount of \$2,535,400.

The grant resources will allow CRC to increase the benefits provided by licensed neighborhood childcare programs in neighborhoods such as Bond Hill, Corryville, East Walnut Hills, Evanston, Madisonville, Millvale, Northside, Pleasant Ridge, Price Hill, Saylor Park, Walnut Hills, West End, and Winton Hills.

There are no new FTEs or local match requirements associated with this grant.

Providing resources for neighborhood childcare programs is in accordance with "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 immediate need to accept and utilize the grant resources before the deadline of June 30, 2023.

The Administration recommends passage of this Emergency Ordinance.

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



Attachment