

**EMERGENCY**

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**- 2023**

**AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant, effective FY 2024, of up to \$334,440 from the United States Department of Energy through the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant Program (ALN 81.128) to Environment and Sustainability Fund 436 to develop and implement energy efficiency and conservation programs at City facilities; and **AUTHORIZING** the Director of Finance to deposit the grant funds into Environment and Sustainability Fund revenue account no. 436x8543.

WHEREAS, a grant of up to \$334,440 is available from the United States Department of Energy through the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant Program (ALN 81.128) to develop and implement energy efficiency and conservation programs at City facilities; and

WHEREAS, this grant requires no local match; and

WHEREAS, this grant does not require new FTEs/full time equivalents, but the Office of Environment and Sustainability may use grant resources to fund one new FTE for the duration of the grant; and

WHEREAS, the City already has applied for the grant, but no grant funds will be accepted without Council approval; and

WHEREAS, acceptance of this grant 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, effective FY 2024, of up to \$334,440 from the United States Department of Energy through the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant Program (ALN 81.128) to Environment and Sustainability Fund 436 to develop and implement energy efficiency and conservation programs at City facilities.

Section 2. That the Director of Finance is authorized to deposit the grant funds into Environment and Sustainability Fund revenue account no. 436x8543.

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

Section 4. That Sections 1 and 2 shall become effective July 1, 2023.

Section 5. 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 immediate need to accept and appropriate grant funds to develop and implement energy efficiency and conservation programs at City facilities in a timely manner.

Passed: \_\_\_\_\_, 2023

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Aftab Pureval, Mayor

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