

**AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to apply for a grant of up to \$1,400,000 from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Eviction Protection Grant Program (ALN 14.537) to provide resources for legal representation of tenants in eviction proceedings.

WHEREAS, grant resources are available from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Eviction Protection Grant Program (ALN 14.537) of up to \$1,400,000; and

WHEREAS, if awarded the grant, the City intends to provide the grant resources to two nonprofit organizations: the Legal Aid Society of Greater Cincinnati and the Hamilton County Clerk of Courts Help Center; and

WHEREAS, the grant does not require local matching funds, and no additional FTEs/full time equivalents are necessary for this grant; and

WHEREAS, the grant application deadline was August 20, 2024, and the City already has applied for the grant, but no grant resources will be accepted without approval by Council; and

WHEREAS, providing legal representation for tenants facing eviction is in accordance with the “Live” goal to “[c]reate a more livable community” and strategy to “[s]upport and stabilize our neighborhoods” as described on pages 156 - 163 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 grant resources from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Eviction Protection Grant Program (ALN 14.537) of up to \$1,400,000 to provide resources for representation of tenants in eviction proceedings.

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

Section 3. That this ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Passed: \_\_\_\_\_, 2024

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Aftab Pureval, Mayor

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