

June 11, 2025

To:

Mayor and Members of City Council

From:

Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager

202501226

Subject:

Emergency Ordinance - 2025 HOPWA Entitlement Grant Award

Attached is an Emergency Ordinance captioned:

AUTHORIZING the City Manager to accept and appropriate \$1,912,260 from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS ("HOPWA") Grant Program (ALN 14.241) to fund various Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS Fund 465 project accounts in accordance with the attached Appropriation Schedule, the 2025–2029 Consolidated Plan, and the 2025 Annual Action Plan to provide funding to projects and operating allocations for the HOPWA Grant Program; ANNOUNCING the City's intention to use this sum for projects and operating allocations for the HOPWA Grant Program in accordance with the attached Appropriation Schedule, the 2025–2029 Consolidated Plan, and the 2025 Annual Action Plan, and to file the 2025-2029 Consolidated Plan and the 2025 Annual Action Plan; and AUTHORIZING the City Manager to file the 2025-2029 Consolidated Plan and the 2025 Annual Action Plan.

Approval of this Emergency Ordinance accomplishes the following:

- 1. Authorizes the City Manager to accept and appropriate \$1,912,260 from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS Grant Program (ALN 14.241) to fund various Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS Fund 465 project accounts in accordance with the attached Appropriation Schedule, the 2025-2029 Consolidated Plan, and the 2025 Annual Action Plan to provide funding to projects and operating allocations for the HOPWA Grant Program;
- 2. Announces the City's intent to use said sum for projects and operating allocations for the HOPWA Grant Program in accordance with the attached Appropriation Schedule, the 2025-2029 Consolidated Plan, and the 2025 Annual Action Plan; and
- 3. Authorizes the City Manager to file the 2025-2029 Consolidated Plan and the 2025 Annual Action Plan.

HUD announced the allocations for the HOPWA Grant Program on May 13, 2025. The HOPWA grant is one of four HUD entitlement grants awarded to the City for Program Year 2025 that, when combined, create the 2025 Annual Action Plan, which must be submitted to HUD within sixty days of the award announcement.

Accepting and appropriating funds from the HOPWA Grant Program is in accordance with the "Live" strategy to "[s]upport and stabilize our neighborhoods" as described on pages 160-162 and the "Compete" initiative to "[b]e the pivotal economic force in the region" as described on pages 101-102 of Plan Cincinnati (2012).

The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to provide funding for the continuation of vital City programs and to comply with the HUD 2025-2029 Consolidated Plan and the 2025 Annual Action Plan sixty-day submission deadline.

The Administration recommends passage of this Emergency Ordinance.

cc: Andrew Dudas, Budget Director Steve Webb, Finance Director

Attachments

