

**Date:** December 16, 2020

**To:** Mayor and Members of City Council 202002141  
**From:** Paula Boggs Muething, City Manager  
**Subject:** **Emergency Ordinance – Environmental & Safety Solutions Inc.  
Moral Obligation**

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Attached is an Emergency Ordinance captioned:

**AUTHORIZING** the payment of \$29,352.38 as a moral obligation to Environmental & Safety Solutions, Inc. for contact tracing services and nurse and medical assistant services provided to the Cincinnati Health Department in connection with the COVID-19 pandemic.

Approval of this Emergency Ordinance authorizes the payment of \$29,352.38 as a moral obligation to Environmental & Safety Solutions, Inc. for contact tracing services and nurse and medical assistant services provided to the Cincinnati Health Department in connection with the COVID-19 pandemic. These services were used in August and September 2020 prior to the execution of a contract, which necessitates a moral obligation payment.

This Emergency Ordinance also authorizes the Finance Director to make a payment of \$29,352.38 from the Health Department's non-personnel operating budget account no. 350x261x1130x7297, to Environmental & Safety Solutions, Inc. as a moral obligation of the City of Cincinnati, for services related to the COVID-19 pandemic. Sufficient funds are available for this expense.

The reason for the emergency is the immediate need for the Health Department to certify the required funds to pay Environmental & Safety Solutions, Inc. for work performed prior to the execution of a contract.

The Administration recommends passage of this Emergency Ordinance.

cc: Christopher A. Bigham, Assistant City Manager  
Karen Alder, Finance Director

Attachment