

EMERGENCY

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- 2023

AUTHORIZING the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant in an amount of up to \$50,000 from the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency’s Water Pollution Control Loan Fund for the purpose of providing financial aid to Cincinnati homeowners with defective household sewage treatment systems; and **AUTHORIZING** the Director of Finance to deposit the grant funds into Public Health Research Fund revenue account no. 350x8536.

WHEREAS, a grant is available from the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency’s (“OEPA”) Water Pollution Control Loan Fund (“WPCLF”), and funding from the OEPA WPCLF grant will assist Cincinnati homeowners with expenses associated with defective household sewage treatment systems; and

WHEREAS, there is no local match required and no FTEs associated with the OEPA WPCLF grant; and

WHEREAS, the Cincinnati Health Department applied for the OEPA WPCLF grant on August 31, 2022, and was notified of the status of receiving the award on January 30, 2023, but funding will not be accepted without authorization from Council; and

WHEREAS, acceptance of the OEPA WPCLF grant is in accordance with the “Sustain” goal to “[b]ecome a healthier Cincinnati” as described on pages 181-192 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 in an amount up to \$50,000 from the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency’s Water Pollution Control Loan Fund for the purpose of providing financial assistance to Cincinnati homeowners with defective household sewage treatment systems.

Section 2. That Council hereby authorizes the Director of Finance to deposit the grant funds into Public Health Research Fund revenue account no. 350x8536.

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

Section 4. 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 provide funding to assist Cincinnati homeowners with expenses associated with defective household sewage treatment systems that can lead to public health issues.

Passed: _____, 2023

Aftab Pureval, Mayor

Attest: _____
Clerk