

February 24, 2021

To: Mayor and Members of City Council

From: Paula Boggs Muething, City Manager *gmm per gmm* 202100749

Subject: **Emergency Ordinance – Urban Minority Alcoholism Drug Abuse Outreach Program (UMADAOP) and Talbert House Moral Obligation**

Attached is an Emergency Ordinance captioned:

AUTHORIZING a total payment of \$302,191.90 as a moral obligation to the Urban Minority Alcoholism Drug Abuse Outreach Program (“UMADAOP”) and Talbert House for services provided to the City as part of the State of Ohio Opioid Response Continuum Grant, with \$190,167 payable to UMADAOP, and the remaining \$112,024.90 payable to Talbert House.

Approval of this Emergency Ordinance authorizes the payment of \$302,191.90 as a moral obligation to the Urban Minority Alcoholism Drug Abuse Outreach Program (“UMADAOP”) and Talbert House for wrap around continuum of care services provided to the City as part of the State of Ohio Opioid Response Continuum Grant between July 1, 2020 and September 30, 2020. A moral obligation payment is necessary because funds were not certified by the Health Department for services performed by UMADAOP and Talbert House.

This Emergency Ordinance also authorizes the Finance Director to make a payment of \$302,191.90 from the Health Department's non-personnel operating budget account no. 350x265x3560x7285, to UMADAOP and Talbert House as a moral obligation of the City of Cincinnati, for services provided to the City as part of the State of Ohio Opioid Response Continuum Grant. Sufficient funds are available for this expense.

The reason for the emergency is the immediate need for the Cincinnati Health Department to pay the UMADAOP and Talbert House for services performed as part of the SOR Continuum Grant prior to the Health Department becoming a registered program vendor in 2020.

The Administration recommends passage of this Emergency Ordinance.

cc: Christopher A. Bigham, Assistant City Manager
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Attachment