

June 16, 2021

To: Mayor and Members of City Council 202102237

From: Paula Boggs Muething, City Manager

Subject: **Emergency Ordinance – Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) 2021 Annual Action Plan Amendment**

Attached is an Emergency Ordinance captioned:

AUTHORIZING the acceptance and appropriation of a grant of \$170,998 from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development to Community Development Block Grant Fund 304; and **ANNOUNCING** the City’s intention to use said funds for various projects and operating allocations for the Community Development Block Grant Program for Calendar Year 2021 and to file the 2021 Annual Action Plan Amendment in accordance with the attached Appropriation Schedule.

Approval of this Emergency Ordinance authorizes the City Manager to accept and appropriate a grant of \$170,998 from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to Community Development Block Grant Fund 304. Approval of this Emergency Ordinance will further announce the City’s intention to use said funds for various projects and operating allocations for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program for Calendar Year 2021 and to file the 2021 Annual Action Plan Amendment in accordance with the attached Appropriation Schedule.

HUD announced the grant allocation of \$11,603,976 for the 2021 CDBG program (Assistance Listing No. 14.218) via Award B-21-MC-39-0003 on February 25, 2021. This entitlement grant of \$11,603,976 was accepted and appropriated by Ordinance No. 0136-2021 on April 21, 2021.

However, HUD announced an increase to the 2021 CDBG program (Assistance Listing No. 14.218) allocation via Award B-21-MC-39-0003 on May 13, 2021, increasing the City’s entitlement grant by \$170,998, for a total grant allocation of \$11,774,974. The additional \$170,998 must now be accepted and appropriated.

This Emergency Ordinance is in accordance with the “Live” strategy to “Support and stabilize our neighborhoods” as described on page 160, and the “Compete” initiative area to “Be the pivotal economic force in the region” as described on page 101 of Plan Cincinnati (2012).

The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to provide funding for the continuation of vital City programs.

The Administration recommends passage of this Emergency Ordinance.

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



Attachment