

AUTHORIZING the City Manager to apply for and accept the in-kind services of an Energy Efficiency Community Block Grant Community Energy Fellow provided through the United States Department of Energy.

WHEREAS, through the Energy Efficiency Community Block Grant (“EECBG”), the United States Department of Energy may fund in-kind services of a Community Energy Fellow (“Fellow”) to help staff and assist the Office of Environment and Sustainability with the implementation of its EECBG project; and

WHEREAS, the City’s EECBG project includes conducting energy audits of the City’s facilities and developing a facility decarbonization plan; and

WHEREAS, this grant does not require matching funds, and there are no new FTEs/full time equivalents associated with this grant; and

WHEREAS, in order to meet the EECBG application deadline of March 31, 2024, the City may have already applied for the grant before the effective date of this ordinance, but no grant resources will be accepted without approval by Council; and

WHEREAS, the City’s EECBG project and application for an EECBG Fellow is in accordance with the “Sustain” goal to “[b]ecome a healthier Cincinnati” and strategy to “[c]reate a healthy environment and reduce energy consumption” as described on pages 181-186 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 and accept in-kind services of an Energy Efficiency Community Block Grant Community Energy Fellow from the United States Department of Energy.

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

Section 3. That this ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Passed: _____, 2024

Aftab Pureval, Mayor

Attest: _____
Clerk