

September 14, 2022

To: Mayor and Members of City Council

From: Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager  202201771

Subject: Ordinance – OES: HUD Climate Communities Technical Assistance Program Grant

Attached is an Ordinance captioned:

AUTHORIZING the City Manager to apply for and accept a Climate Communities Technical Assistance Program Grant from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (“HUD”) for the purpose of providing technical assistance for entitlement communities as part of HUD’s Climate Action Plan Climate Communities Initiative.

This Ordinance authorizes the City Manager to apply for and accept a Climate Communities Technical Assistance Program Grant from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (“HUD”) to provide technical assistance for entitlement communities as part of HUD’s Climate Action Plan Climate Communities Initiative.

The Climate Communities Technical Assistance Program grant is non-monetary. This grant program will support entitlement communities in advancing climate resilience and environmental justice long-term. HUD will provide technical assistance through support, training, and on-demand resources and will also facilitate Climate Resilience Cohorts that will enable selected communities to learn from peers as well as HUD technical assistance providers. No additional FTEs or matching funds are required for this grant.

The Office of Environment and Sustainability (“OES”) applied for this grant by the August 5, 2022 application deadline. However, the grant will not be accepted without City Council authorization.

This grant 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).

The Administration recommends passage of this Ordinance.

cc: Andrew M. Dudas, Budget Director
Karen Alder, Finance Director

Attachment

