

February 7, 2024

To: Mayor and Members of City Council

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From: Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager

Subject: Emergency Ordinance - Department of Buildings and Inspections:

Amending Ordinance No. 0072-1994

Attached is an Emergency Ordinance captioned:

AMENDING Ordinance No. 72-1994, which established Vacant Building Maintenance Fund 347 and identified revenue sources and permissible uses of the fund's resources, as subsequently amended by Ordinance Nos. 294-2007, 273-2012, 102-2017, and 436-2019, which cumulatively changed the name of the fund to Hazard Abatement Fund 347 and expanded the fund's revenue sources and permissible uses, to further expand the permissible revenue sources for Hazard Abatement Fund 347 to include federal, state, local, and private grant resources.

Approval of this Emergency Ordinance would amend prior Ordinance No. 0072-1994, which established Vacant Building Maintenance Fund 347 and identified revenue sources and permissible uses of the fund's resources, as subsequently amended by Ordinance Nos. 0294-2007, 0273-2012, 0102-2017, and 0436-2019, to expand permissible revenue sources of Hazard Abatement Fund 347 to include federal, state, local, and private grant resources.

On March 2, 1994, the City Council approved Ordinance No. 0072-1994, which established Vacant Building Fund 347, directed gross vacant building maintenance license fees be deposited into Vacant Building Fund 347, and directed expenses for the administration of the vacant building licensing program be paid from Vacant Building Fund 347. This ordinance has since been amended by Ordinance Nos. 0294-2007, 0273-2012, 0102-2017, and 0436-2019, which cumulatively changed the name of the fund to Hazard Abatement Fund 347 and expanded the fund's revenue sources and permissible uses. There is now a need to further amend revenue sources to include grant resources.

The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to expand permissible revenue sources for Hazard Abatement Fund 347 to include federal, state, local, and private grant resources in order to accept grant resources in a timely manner.

The Administration recommends passage of this Emergency Ordinance.

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

