

June 2, 2022

To: Mayor and Members of City Council

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From: John P. Curp, Interim City Manager

Subject: Ordinance – EPA Grant for Electrify Cincy Education Program

Attached is an Ordinance captioned:

AUTHORIZING the City Manager to apply for a grant in the amount of up to \$25,000 from the United States Environmental Protection Agency, Region 5, to provide resources for the design and implementation of the Electrify Cincy Education Program, which will offer residential and technical expert training in support of residential electrification efforts, including weatherization, reduced energy consumption, and renewable energy upgrades.

This Ordinance authorizes the City Manager to apply for a grant in the amount of up to \$25,000 from the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Region 5, to provide resources for the design and implementation of the Electrify Cincy Education Program. This program will offer residential and technical expert training in support of residential electrification efforts, including weatherization, reduced energy consumption, and renewable energy upgrades.

Acceptance of this grant does not require additional FTEs or local matching funds.

The grant application deadline is June 3, 2022, and the Office of Environment and Sustainability will apply before this date, but funding will not be accepted unless authorized by the City Council.

This grant is in accordance with the City’s goal to reduce carbon emissions by 80 percent by 2050 by “[t]arget[ing] multi-family properties for energy efficiency improvements,” and “[e]xpand[ing] programs to increase efficiency... for the private market,” as described on pages 61 and 106 of the Green Cincinnati Plan (2018).

This grant is also 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), and the “Collaborate” goal to “[w]ork in synergy with the Cincinnati Community,” as described on page 209 of Plan Cincinnati (2012).

The Administration recommends passage of this Ordinance.

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



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