

August 1, 2022

To: Members of the Budget and Finance Committee

From: John P. Curp, Interim City Manager *سجدا*

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Subject: Emergency Ordinance – CMO: Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations (CRRSA) Act Emergency Rental Assistance (ERA)

Attached is an Emergency Ordinance captioned:

AUTHORIZING the City Manager to accept and appropriate the sum of up to \$3,000,000 from the United States Department of the Treasury as provided by the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act to Fund 473, “COVID-19,” City Manager’s Office non-personnel operating budget account no. 473x101x7400 for the purpose of providing reimbursement of or resources for an Emergency Rental Assistance program to assist households that are unable to pay rent and utilities due to the COVID-19 pandemic; and further **AUTHORIZING** the Finance Director to deposit the funds in Fund 473, “COVID-19,” revenue account no. 473x8543.

This Emergency Ordinance authorizes the City Manager to accept and appropriate the sum of up to \$3.0 million from the U.S. Department of the Treasury as provided by the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSA) to Fund 473, “COVID-19,” City Manager’s Office non-personnel operating budget account no. 473x101x7400 for the purpose of providing reimbursement of or resources for an Emergency Rental Assistance program to assist households that are unable to pay rent and utilities due to the COVID-19 pandemic. This Emergency Ordinance also authorizes the Finance Director to deposit the fund in Fund 473, “COVID-19,” revenue account no. 473x8543.

The City is eligible to receive additional funding from the United States Department of the Treasury pursuant to the CRRSA based on a reallocation of returned funds from other Ohio jurisdictions. These additional resources will be employed through the City’s existing ERA program to reimburse eligible expenditures and to assist households that are unable to pay rent and utilities due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Additional guidance will be forthcoming from the U.S. Department of the Treasury on eligible uses of the funds and an ordinance will be presented to City Council to appropriate the funds for additional purposes, if any, once guidance is provided.

The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to accept and appropriate the resources in a timely manner.

The Administration recommends passage of this Emergency Ordinance.

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

Attachment