

February 22, 2024

**To:** Mayor and Members of City Council

202400557

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

**Subject: Ordinance – OES: Energy Efficiency Community Block Grant (EECBG) Community Energy Fellow**

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Attached is an Ordinance captioned:

**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.

This Ordinance authorizes the City Manager to apply for and accept in-kind services of an Energy Efficiency Community Block Grant (“EECBG”) Community Energy Fellow (“Fellow”) from the United States Department of Energy (DOE).

The EECBG Fellow will help staff and assist the Office of Environment and Sustainability (OES) with the implementation of its EECBG project. The EECBG project includes conducting energy audits of City facilities and developing a facility decarbonization plan.

This grant does not require matching funds or new FTEs/full time equivalents.

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 the City Council.

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).

The Administration recommends passage of this Ordinance.

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



Attachment