

October 16, 2024

To: Mayor and Members of City Council

From: Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager *SM* 202402182

Subject: Ordinance – CMO: HUD Eviction Protection Grant Application

Attached is an Ordinance captioned:

AUTHORIZING the City Manager to apply for a grant of up to \$1,400,000 from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Eviction Protection Grant Program (ALN 14.537) to provide resources for legal representation of tenants in eviction proceedings.

This Ordinance authorizes the City Manager to apply for a grant in an amount up to \$1,400,000 from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Eviction Protection Grant Program (ALN 14.357) to provide resources for legal representation of tenants in eviction proceedings.

If awarded the grant, the Office of Human Services intends to provide the grant resources to two nonprofit organizations: the Legal Aid Society of Greater Cincinnati and the Hamilton County Clerk of Courts Help Center.

The grant does not require matching resources or new FTEs/full time equivalents.

The City already applied for the grant by application deadline of August 20, 2024, but no grant resources will be accepted without the City Council's approval.

Providing legal representation for tenants facing eviction is in accordance with the "Live" goal to "[c]reate a more livable community" and strategy to "[s]upport and stabilize our neighborhoods" as described on pages 156 - 163 of Plan Cincinnati (2012).

The Administration recommends passage of this Ordinance.

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

Attachment

