

March 23, 2022

To: Mayor and Members of City Council 202200704

From: John P. Curp, Interim City Manager

Subject: Emergency Ordinance – Health: Ohio Environmental Protection

Agency (OEPA) Water Pollution Control Loan Fund Grant

Attached is an Emergency Ordinance captioned:

AUTHORIZING the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate the sum of up to \$150,000 from the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency's Water Pollution Control Loan Fund for the purpose of providing financial assistance to Cincinnati homeowners with defective household sewage treatment systems; and AUTHORIZING the Director of Finance to deposit the grant funds into Public Health Research Fund 350.

This Emergency Ordinance would authorize the City Manager to apply for, accept and appropriate a grant in the amount up to \$150,000 from the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (OEPA)'s Water Pollution Control Loan Fund to help provide financial assistance to Cincinnati homeowners with defective household sewage treatment systems. This Emergency Ordinance would also authorize the Finance Director to deposit the grant funds into Public Health Research Fund 350.

No new FTEs are associated with the grant, and the grant resources do not require matching local funds.

This ordinance is in accordance with the "Sustain" goal to "[b]ecome a healthier Cincinnati" as described on page 181 of Plan Cincinnati (2012).

The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to provide funding to assist Cincinnati homeowners with expenses associated with defective household sewage treatment systems that can lead to public health issues.

The Administration recommends passage of this Emergency Ordinance.

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

Attachment