

March 17, 2021

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

**From:** Paula Boggs Muething, City Manager *CB for PBM* 202101054

**Subject: Emergency Ordinance – Ohio Environmental Protection Agency  
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's Water Pollution Control Loan Fund to help provide financial assistance to Cincinnati homeowners with defective household sewage treatment systems.

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

This Emergency Ordinance would also authorize the Finance Director to deposit the grant funds into Public Health Research Fund 350.

This Emergency Ordinance is in accordance with the Sustain goal to "Become 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: Christopher A. Bigham, Assistant City Manager  
Karen Alder, Finance Director

Attachment

