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An Ordinance No. \_\_\_\_\_

- 2021

**ESTABLISHING** new Home Investment Trust Fund 411 project account no. 411x162x4112131, “HOME-American Rescue Plan (HOME-ARP)”; and further **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to accept and appropriate the sum of \$9,923,076, to be received pursuant to an additional award from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development under the HOME Investment Partnerships Program in order to help create housing and services for people experiencing or at risk of experiencing homelessness, to the newly-created Home Investment Trust Fund 411 project account no. 411x162x4112131, “HOME-American Rescue Plan (HOME-ARP).”

WHEREAS, through the HOME Investment Partnerships (“HOME”) Program, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (“HUD”) provides annual grants to local communities for projects that include buying, building, and rehabilitating affordable housing for rent or ownership, as well as projects that provide down payment assistance; and

WHEREAS, HUD announced the initial entitlement grant allocation to the City for the 2021 HOME program per Assistance Listing Number (ALN) 14.239 via Award M-21-MC-39-0213 on February 25, 2021; and

WHEREAS, HUD received an additional federal appropriation through the American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act for use in funding additional HOME awards to entitlement grantees in order to meet the needs of people experiencing or at risk of experiencing homelessness, and announced that the City would receive \$9,923,076 (the “HOME ARP Grant”); and

WHEREAS, in order to make the funding under the HOME ARP Grant available, the City must appropriate these funds; and

WHEREAS, additional guidance may be forthcoming from HUD on eligible uses of the HOME ARP Grant, and one or more additional ordinances may be presented to Council to appropriate the funds; and

WHEREAS, accepting and appropriating funds from the HOME program is in accordance with the “Live” goal to “Support and stabilize our neighborhoods,” as described on page 160 of Plan Cincinnati (2012); now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Cincinnati, State of Ohio:

Section 1. That the Director of Finance is authorized to establish new Home Investment Trust Fund 411 project account no. 411x162x4112131, “HOME-American Rescue Plan (HOME-ARP),” for the purpose of meeting the needs of people experiencing or at risk of experiencing homelessness.

Section 2. That Council hereby authorizes the acceptance and appropriation of the sum of \$9,923,076, to be received pursuant to an additional HOME Investment Partnerships (“HOME”) Program award from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (“HUD”) to HOME Investment Trust Fund 411 project account no. 411x162x4112131, “HOME-American Rescue Plan (HOME-ARP),” for the purpose of meeting the needs of people experiencing or at risk of experiencing homelessness.

Section 3. That the City Manager is hereby authorized to (a) submit, modify, or amend any and all necessary documents required to be sent to HUD to carry out the provisions of this ordinance, and (b) take all actions necessary to carry out the provisions of this ordinance and otherwise make the herein described funding available to meet the needs of people experiencing or at risk of experiencing homelessness, all in accordance with federal requirements and necessary federal approvals.

Section 4. That the proper City officials are authorized to use and expend the described funds in accordance with Sections 1 through 3 hereof.

Section 5. That this ordinance shall be an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, safety, and general welfare and shall, subject to the terms of Article II, Section 6 of the Charter, be effective immediately. The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to provide funding for vital City programs.

Passed: \_\_\_\_\_, 2021

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John Cranley, Mayor

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk