



Legislation Text

File #: 1940-2022, **Version:** 1

BACKGROUND: This ordinance authorizes the appropriation and expenditure of up to \$302,082.00 of the 2022 Housing Opportunity for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) entitlement grant from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and authorizes the Director of the Department of Development to enter into a subaward agreement with Equitas Health to provide housing services for people living with HIV/AIDS.

Historically, the HOPWA grant has been managed and administered by Columbus Public Health (CPH). Starting with the 2022 grant year funds, the HOPWA grant will be managed and administered by the Department of Development (DOD), Division of Housing. In early 2022, CPH put forth Ordinance 0919-2022 to enter into an agreement with Equitas Health to provide HOPWA services. That ordinance and agreement provided a portion of the funds needed for the 2022 program year. This agreement, under the authority of the Director of the Department of Development, will be an original agreement with Equitas Health and will provide additional funding for the remainder of the year.

Equitas Health submitted a proposal during an RFP process completed in August 2019 (RFQ012772). This subaward is for the third year of a five year contract period.

This legislation represents appropriation for a part of the HOPWA portion of the 2022 Action Plan, per Ordinance 2800-2021.

Emergency action is requested to allow for uninterrupted services.

Contract Compliance: the vendor number is 004721 and expires 1/25/2024

Fiscal Impact: \$302,082.00 is available from the 2022 HOPWA grant (G442201)

To authorize the appropriation and expenditure of up to \$302,082.00 of the 2022 Housing Opportunity for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) entitlement grant from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development; to authorize the Director of the Department of Development to enter into a subaward agreement with Equitas Health to provide housing services for people living with HIV/AIDS; and to declare an emergency. (\$302,082.00). **(AMENDED BY ORD. 2446-2022 PASSED 9/19/2022) BA**

WHEREAS, the City of Columbus is a participating jurisdiction of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development; and

WHEREAS, the City of Columbus is the recipient of HOPWA funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development; and

WHEREAS, the Columbus City Council has approved the 2022 Action Plan, per Ordinance 2800-2021, as required by HUD; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Development desires to enter into a subaward agreement with Equitas Health to provide housing services for people living with HIV/AIDS; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Development in that it is immediately necessary to appropriate and expend said funds to allow for uninterrupted services, thereby preserving the public health, peace, property, safety, and welfare; **NOW, THEREFORE,**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS:

SECTION 1. That from the unappropriated monies and from all monies estimated to come into said fund from any and all sources and unappropriated for any other purpose during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2022, the sum of \$302,082.00 is appropriated in Fund 2220 (General Government Grant Fund), from Dept-Div 44-10 (Housing), G442201 (2022 HOPWA), object class 03 (Services)

per the account codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

SECTION 2. That the expenditure of \$302,082.00 or so much thereof as may be needed, is hereby authorized in Fund 2220 (General Government Grant Fund), from Dept-Div 44-10 (Housing), G442201 (2022 HOPWA), object class 03 (Services) per the account codes in the attachment to this ordinance..

SECTION 3. That the Director of Development is hereby authorized to enter into a subaward agreement with Equitas Health to provide housing services for people living with HIV/AIDS, in an amount up to **\$302,082.00**.

SECTION 4. Funds are hereby deemed appropriated and expenditures and transfers authorized to carry out the purposes of this ordinance and the City Auditor shall establish such accounting codes as necessary.

SECTION 5. That the City Auditor is authorized to make any accounting changes to revise the funding source for all contracts or contract modifications associated with this ordinance.

SECTION 6. At the end of the grant period, any repayment of unencumbered balances required by the grantor is hereby authorized and any unused City match monies may be transferred back to the City fund from which they originated in accordance with all applicable grant agreements.

SECTION 7. That for the reasons stated in the preamble hereto, which is hereby made a part hereof, this Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure and shall take effect and be in force from and after its approval by the Mayor, or ten days after passage if the Mayor neither approves nor vetoes the same.