



## Legislation Text

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### Background:

This ordinance authorizes the Director of the Department of Neighborhoods to transfer, appropriation and expenditure of up to \$500,000.00 from the Affordable Housing Taxable Bond Fund 7779 and to enter into a grant agreement with Healthy Neighborhoods Healthy Families Realty Collaborative (HNHF), which is a nonprofit arm of Nationwide Children's Hospital, to continue the home rehabilitation program in the Linden community. HNHF will continue to administer an exterior home rehabilitation program on behalf of the Department of Neighborhoods in alignment with the One Linden community plan.

Community Planning Area is Linden - 45

This program will assist homeowners and residents living in rental housing by providing exterior rehabilitation services that will help to boost neighborhood pride, community reinvestment and responsible homeownership. Qualification criteria for phase two of the program will be the same as for phase one. The program will continue to focus on residents at or below 65% AMI. To date 90 owner occupied homes received much needed exterior repairs and 3 rental properties were updated.

**Fiscal Impact:** Funding for this agreement is budgeted within the 2022 Capital Improvement Budget within the Affordable Housing Taxable Bond Fund.

**Emergency Justification:** Emergency action is requested to allow for the immediate execution of this contract in order to advance community plan implementation and begin construction.

To authorize the Director of the Department of Neighborhoods to enter into a non-profit grant agreement with Healthy Neighborhoods Healthy Families (HNHF) Realty Collaborative; to authorize the transfer of appropriation and cash between departments within the Affordable Housing Taxable Bond Fund; to authorize the expenditure of \$500,000.00.00 from the Affordable Housing Taxable Bond Fund ; and to declare an emergency. (\$500,000.00)

**WHEREAS**, the City is supportive of the Linden Community and wishes to expand programs and services to better serve the neighborhood; and

**WHEREAS**, the City commissioned a comprehensive community plan in an effort to revitalize the Linden community; and

**WHEREAS**, the Department of Neighborhoods desires to enter into a non-profit grant agreement with Healthy Neighborhoods Healthy Families (HNHF) Realty Collaborative to assist homeowners and residents living in rental housing by providing exterior rehabilitation services that will help to boost neighborhood pride, community reinvestment and responsible homeownership; and to advance the One Linden Community Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Neighborhoods in that it is immediately necessary to authorize the Director of the Department of Neighborhoods to enter into a grant agreement with Healthy Neighborhoods Healthy Families and to allow HNHF to expedite construction, 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 the Director of the Department of Neighborhoods be, and hereby is, authorized to enter into a

nonprofit grant agreement with the Healthy Neighborhoods Healthy Families Realty Collaborative to provide homeowner assistance grants to projects developed or sponsored in Linden by HNHF Realty Collaborative for households at or below 65% AMI. .

**SECTION 2.** That the transfer of appropriation and cash of \$500,000.00.00 or so much thereof as may be needed, is hereby authorized within the Affordable Housing Taxable Bond Fund 7779 per the account codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

**SECTION 3.** That the expenditure of \$500,000.00.00 or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the cost thereof, be and is hereby authorized from the Affordable Housing Taxable Bond Fund 7779 in object class 06 Capital Outlay, per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

**SECTION 4.** That the funds necessary to carry out the purpose of this ordinance are hereby deemed appropriated 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 modification associated with this ordinance.

**SECTION 6.** That the City Auditor is hereby authorized to transfer the unencumbered balance in a project account to the unallocated balance account within the same fund upon receipt of certification by the Director of the Department administering said project that the project has been completed and the monies are no longer required for said project.

**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 passage and approval by the Mayor, or ten days after passage if the Mayor neither approves nor vetoes the same.