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Legislation Text

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BACKGROUND: The Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Entitlement Program provides annual grants on a formula basis to cities and counties to develop viable urban communities by providing decent housing and a suitable living environment, and by expanding economic opportunities, principally for low-and moderate-income persons.

The Department of Finance and Management, Grants Management Section is responsible for administering the City's CDBG program. This ordinance authorizes the appropriation and expenditure of a portion of the CDBG award for personnel and services costs related to Grants Management Administration.

All City CDBG expenditures must be consistent with the community needs, priorities, and strategies stated in the City's 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan, as approved by HUD. The appropriations requested in this ordinance align with the Draft FY 2023 Annual Action Plan as adopted in Ordinance #3353-2022.

EMERGENCY action is necessary to avoid causing interruptions in the delivery of program services and ensure compliance with federal grant requirements.

FISCAL IMPACT: This ordinance will authorize the appropriation and expenditure of \$93,389.00 of Community Development Block Grant funds within Fund 2248

To authorize the Director of the Department of Finance and Management to appropriate and authorize the expenditure of \$93,389.00 in CDBG grant funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for the purpose of Grants Management Administration; and to declare an emergency. (\$93,389.00)

WHEREAS, the City of Columbus is an entitlement community and a Participating Jurisdiction of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, and the City is a current recipient of Community Development Block Grant funds from HUD; and

WHEREAS, \$7,593,389.00 in entitlement grant funds are anticipated from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for the Community Development Block Grant program for Fiscal Year 2023; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance 3353-2022 authorized the adoption of the Draft FY 2023 Annual Action Plan and budget adjustments upon receipt of the City's U.S. Department of Housing Urban Development (HUD) grants notices of awards; and

WHEREAS, the City has received the 2023 HUD grants notices of awards and has made adjustments to the Draft 2023 Annual Action Plan; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to appropriate and authorize the expenditure of \$93,389.00 from Fund 2248 for Grants Management Administration; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operations of the Department of Finance and Management in that it is immediately necessary to authorize the appropriation and expenditure of these funds so that the Grants Management Section can pay for personnel and services related to the administration of the CDBG program without delay, which otherwise would cause a breakdown in operations and failure to meet federal grant requirements; **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 ending December 31, 2023, the sum of \$93,389.00 is appropriated in Fund 2248 Community Development Block Grant Fund per the account codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

SECTION 2. That the Director of the Department of Finance and Management may be required to transfer funding from one subfund to another within the Fund 2248, Community Development Block Grant Fund due to the availability of funding based on federal requirements of grants based accounting and account coding will be provided to the City Auditor.

SECTION 3. That the funds necessary to carry out the purpose of this ordinance are hereby deemed appropriated and authorized for expenditure, and the City Auditor shall establish such accounting codes as necessary.

SECTION 4. 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 5. 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.