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Legislation Text

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BACKGROUND: This ordinance authorizes the appropriation and expenditure of up to \$300,000.00 of the 2022 Housing Opportunities for People with AIDS (HOPWA) entitlement grant from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and to enter into a Subaward Not-for-Profit Service Contract with Equitas Health, in an amount up to \$300,000.00, to provide HOPWA services to the community.

The HOPWA program provides for the implementation of long term comprehensive strategies for meeting the housing needs of low income persons with HIV/AIDS and their families. Eligible services/activities include providing housing information services; resource identification; acquisition, rehabilitation, conversion, lease, and repair of facilities to provide housing and services; new construction of housing units; project or tenant based rental assistance; short term rent, mortgage and utility payments; supportive services; technical assistance and administrative support.

This agency is a provider who specializes exclusively in assisting income eligible individuals/households living with HIV/AIDS in the eight county EMSA. This contract is for the fourth year of a five year contract period. The current contract end on December 31, 2022, and the start date of this contract would be January 1, 2023, so there are not any interruption in services.

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 prevent disruption in services.

Contract Compliance: the vendor number is 004721 and expires 1/25/2021.

Fiscal Impact: \$300,000.00 is available from the 2022 HOPWA Grant (G442201).

This ordinance authorizes the appropriation and expenditure of up to \$300,000.00 of the 2022 Housing Opportunities for People with AIDS (HOPWA) entitlement grant from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development; authorizes the Director of the Department of Development to enter into a Subaward Not-for-Profit Service Contract with Equitas Health, in the amount up to \$300,000.00, to provide HOPWA services to the community and to allow for payment of services starting January 1, 2023; and to declare an emergency. (\$300,000.00).

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 the Housing Opportunities for People with AIDS (HOPWA) entitlement grant 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, Equitas Health is a provider who specializes exclusively in assisting income eligible individuals/households living with HIV/AIDS in the eight county EMSA; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Development in that it is immediately necessary to appropriate and authorize the expenditure of said funds to prevent disruption in services, thereby preserving the public health, peace, property, safety, and welfare; and **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 \$300,000.00 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 \$300,000.00 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 the Department of Development is hereby authorized to enter into a Subaward Not-for-Profit Service Contract with Equitas Health in an amount up to \$300,000.00 to provide HOPWA services to the community and to allow for payment of services starting January 1, 2023.

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.