



Legislation Text

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BACKGROUND: The City receives annual entitlement Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) awards from the U.S. Dept. of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The purpose of this ordinance is to appropriate and authorize the Director of the Department of Finance and Management to enter into a Subrecipient Agreement - Not for Profit Service Contract - with Habitat for Humanity Mid-Ohio in the amount of \$360,000.00 to provide a Roof Repair Program to the low- to moderate-income residents of the City of Columbus.

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. 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 appropriation requested in this ordinance align with the Draft FY 2023 Annual Action Plan as approved and adopted through Ordinance #3353-2022.

These services require expertise in the area of roof repair and, thus, cannot be provided by existing city employees.

FISCAL IMPACT: This legislation will authorize the appropriation and expenditure of \$360,000.00 from the 2023 Community Development Block Grant Fund (2248). (\$360,000.00)

To authorize the Director of Finance and Management to enter into a Subrecipient Agreement - Not-for-Profit Service Contract - with Habitat for Humanity MidOhio to carry out the 2023 CDBG Roof Repair Program; to authorize the appropriation of \$360,000.00 from the CDBG fund (2248); and to authorize the expenditure of \$360,000.000 from the CDBG fund (2248); and to declare an emergency. (\$360,000.00)

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, the City Council has approved Ordinance #3353-2022 to adopt the Draft FY 2023 Annual Action Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Finance and Management, Grants Management Section has budgeted \$360,000.00 of CDBG funding in the Draft FY 2023 Annual Action Plan for the purpose of providing roof repair services; and

WHEREAS, under 24 CFR §570.500(c), the City of Columbus may select organizations as Subrecipients to undertake eligible Community Development Block Grant activities; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Finance and Management, Grants Management Section held a competitive process inviting organizations to apply for CDBG funding support and received 50 CDBG funding proposals representing requests totaling more than \$25 million; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Finance and Management, Grants Management Section desires to enter into a Subrecipient Agreement - Not for Profit Service Contract - with Habitat for Humanity MidOhio to implement a roof repair program, an eligible CDBG activity; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to authorize the appropriation of \$360,000.00 from the CDBG Fund 2248 for the Subrecipient Agreement as described above; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to authorize the expenditure of \$360,000.00 from the CDBG Fund 2248 for the Subrecipient Agreement as described above; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Finance and Management in that it is immediately necessary to authorize the Director to enter into this agreement so that the Subrecipient will have the ability to begin their project in a timely manner due to the seasonal nature of roof repair work; **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 \$360,000.00 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 is hereby authorized and directed to enter into a Subrecipient Agreement - Not for Profit Service Contract - with Habitat for Humanity MidOhio for the administration of the 2023 CDBG Roof Repair Program as described in the Draft FY 2023 Annual Action Plan.

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.