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Title: To authorize the appropriation of \$23,000.00 from the unappropriated balance of the Housing/Business Tax Incentives Fund to the Department of Development to provide funds for recorder fees and licensing of software costs for the Housing Division; and to declare an emergency. (\$23,000.00)

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Background: The Department of Development’s Housing Division requires funding for recorder fees as well as acquisition of software for home inspections of federally funded units that cannot be delayed until the passage of the 2026 General Fund Operating Budget.

The department is requesting that funds be appropriated within the Housing/Business Tax Incentives Fund to allow for these services now.

EMERGENCY JUSTIFICATION: Emergency action is requested so that funds can be established for required public notices and licensing of software to prevent interruption of services.

Fiscal Impact: This legislation appropriates \$23,000.00 from the unappropriated balance of the Housing/Business Tax Incentives Fund (Fund 2229).

To authorize the appropriation of \$23,000.00 from the unappropriated balance of the Housing/Business Tax Incentives Fund to the Department of Development to provide funds for recorder fees and licensing of software costs for the Housing Division; and to declare an emergency. (\$23,000.00)

WHEREAS, the Department of Development’s Housing Division requires funding for recorder fees and licensing of software; and

WHEREAS, these are time-sensitive needs and cannot be delayed until the passage of the 2026 General Fund Operating

Budget; and

WHEREAS, this legislation appropriates \$23,000.00 from the unallocated balance of the Housing/Business Tax Incentives Fund; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Development in that it is immediately necessary to provide for this appropriation for recorder fees and acquisition of software for home inspections of federally funded units to prevent interruption of services, for the immediate preservation of 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, 2026, the sum of \$23,000.00 is appropriated in Fund 2229 (Housing Business Tax Incentive), Dept-Div 44-10 (Housing), in Object Class 03 (Services) per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

SECTION 2. 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 3. 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.