



Legislation Text

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BACKGROUND: This legislation authorizes the Director of the Department of Development to enter into a subrecipient agreement with the Community Shelter Board (CSB) in an amount up to \$325,000.00 for the Tenant Base Rental Assistance Program and authorizes the payment of expenses starting January 1, 2021.

The City provides annual funding to CSB for their Tenant Based Rental Assistance Program, which provides rental assistance to those who are homeless or in danger of being homeless in our community.

Funding for this 2021 agreement shall be from the 2020 HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) program income received in program year 2020.

This legislation represents appropriation for the HOME portion of the 2021 Action Plan, per Ordinance 2345-2020. Passage of this ordinance is contingent upon passage of the 2021 Action Plan ordinance.

Emergency action is requested in order to ensure uninterrupted services.

FISCAL IMPACT: Funds in the amount of \$325,000.00 are available as program income, cash on hand, in the 2020 HOME Grant (G451903). The unappropriated balance of this fund and grant (G451903), program income only, is approximately \$800,455.00.

CONTRACT COMPLIANCE: The vendor's vendor number is 004795 and expires 1/8/2021.

To authorize the appropriation and expenditure of \$325,000.00 from the 2020 HOME Investment Partnerships grant program income; to authorize the Director of the Department of Development to enter into a subrecipient agreement with the Community Shelter Board in an amount up to \$325,000.00 for the Tenant Base Rental Assistance Program and authorize the payment of expenses starting January 1, 2021; and to declare an emergency. (\$325,000.00)

WHEREAS, the City of Columbus expects to continue as a participating jurisdiction of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for 2021; and

WHEREAS, the City of Columbus is the recipient of HOME Investment Partnerships funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development; and

WHEREAS, the Columbus City Council has approved the 2021 Action Plan, per Ordinance 2345-2020, as required by HUD; and

WHEREAS, the Director of the Department of Development desires to enter into a contract with the Community Shelter Board in an amount up to \$325,000.00 and authorize the payment for expenses starting January 1, 2021; and

WHEREAS, this contract will allow the Community Shelter Board to continue to provide Tenant Based Rental Assistance Program, which provides homeless or those in danger of being homeless in our community; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Development, Housing Division, in that it is immediately necessary to authorize the Director to enter into a subrecipient agreement with the Community Shelter Board and to appropriate and expend said funds to allow for continuation of services without interruption, 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 the Director of Development is hereby authorized to enter into a subrecipient agreement with the Community Shelter Board (CSB) in an amount up to \$325,000.00 for the Tenant Base Rental Assistance Program and authorizes the payment of expenses starting January 1, 2021.

SECTION 2. That from the unappropriated monies in Fund 2201 (HOME Investment Partnerships Program) and from all monies estimated to come into said fund from any and all sources and unappropriated for any other purpose during the grant period, the sum of \$325,000.00 is appropriated in Fund 2201 (HOME Investment Partnerships Program), Dept-Div 44-10 (Housing), Project G451903, Object Class 03 (Services).

SECTION 3. That the expenditure of \$325,000.00 or so much thereof as may be needed, is hereby authorized in Fund 2201 (HOME Investment Partnerships Program), Dept-Div 4410 (Housing), Project G451903, object class 03 (Other) per the account codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

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.