

Legislation Text

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**BACKGROUND**: The 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan combines into a single submission the planning and application aspects of the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME), Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) and Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) programs. This plan represents a continuing commitment to provide decent housing, suitable living environments and expanded economic opportunities over the five-year period. Ord#2162-2019 adopted and authorized the submission of the 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan. The City of Columbus, Grants Management section is responsible for completing and submitting the Annual Action Plan to U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. Because HUD has not announced the 2021 grant allocations, this legislation contains a draft action plan summary with estimated funding amounts. The final plan will be adjusted to match the actual allocations. The 2021 Grant allocations are expected to be announced in spring 2021.

**FISCAL IMPACT**: The City expects to receive about \$13 million in grant resources for the four programs listed above. The Grants Management Division will submit future legislation to authorize appropriations or expenditures of those funds.

**EMERGENCY LEGISLATION**: This ordinance is submitted as an emergency to ensure the timely submission of the Annual Action Plan, thus allowing allow the city to incur pre-award costs.

To adopt the 2021 **Proposed** Annual Action Plan which implements the second year of the five-year "Consolidated Plan" for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME), Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) and Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) programs; and to authorize the filing of the Annual Action Plan with the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development; and to declare an emergency.

**WHEREAS**, under the provisions as set forth in the various federal statutes authorizing the above programs, the City of Columbus has filed a five-year Consolidated Plan application with the Department of Housing and Urban Development to be used for community development activities; and

WHEREAS, in conjunction with the Consolidated Plan, the City is required to submit a one-year "Action Plan" including a detailed proposed budget for the various programs covered under the plan; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the City of Columbus in that it is immediately necessary to authorize the filing of the aforesaid plan application and complete the public comment process within the deadline established by HUD; to allow the city of Columbus to incur pre-award costs necessary for efficient and timely performance and to prevent the interruption of services thereby preserving the public health, peace, property, safety and welfare; Now, Therefore

## **BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS:**

SECTION 1: That the City of Columbus hereby adopts the recommended 2021 Proposed Action Plan.

**SECTION 2**: That the application for said plan as provided for in the federal statutes authorizing the Consolidated Plan programs is hereby adopted, and that the Mayor, acting on behalf of the City of Columbus, is hereby authorized and directed to file such application with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

**SECTION** 3: That for the reasons stated in the preamble hereto, which is hereby made a part hereof, this Ordinance is declared to be an emergency measure and shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval by the

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Mayor, or ten days after passage if the Mayor neither approves nor vetoes the same.