



Legislation Text

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BACKGROUND: This ordinance authorizes the Director of the Department of Development to modify an agreement with the Community Shelter Board for the administration of the City's ESG-CV2 monies from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development in order to extend the time allowed to expend the funds and to further define the type of agreement as a "subward grant agreement."

The City of Columbus received a letter of the awarded allocation dated June 9, 2020, from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for these special Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG-CV) Program funds. The letter states that "HUD is allocating to your jurisdiction the amount of \$8,102,095.00, as authorized by the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act), Public Law 116-136." Recently, HUD announced that the expenditure of these funds have been extended one year, to September 30, 2023.

These special ESG-CV2 funds are to be used to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the Coronavirus pandemic (COVID-19) among individuals and families who are homeless or receiving homeless assistance, and to support additional homeless assistance and homelessness prevention activities to mitigate the impacts of COVID-19.

The Community Shelter Board (CSB), a non-profit organization, has been selected because of their history with the city and the homeless service community in the funding and coordination of services to homeless individuals and families as well as their established administrative procedures to effectively and efficiently implement such services. CSB is a recipient of the City's regular ESG allocation of funds from HUD.

The Community Shelter Board (CSB) will work with its partners to continue to operate a shelter for isolation and quarantine to care for people experiencing homelessness who have COVID-19 or have been exposed. They will continue operation of the social distancing shelters and the isolation and quarantine shelter.

Use of funds for the temporary shelters will include ESG-eligible Operations and Essential Services costs, including staffing, transportation, space, security, environmental services, laundry, food, and supplies.

Original	\$8,102,095.00	Ord. 2628-2020	PO254902
Mod 1	\$ 0.00		
Total	\$8,102,095.00		

Emergency legislation is needed in order to continue implementation of efforts to respond to the Coronavirus pandemic (COVID-19) on behalf of persons experiencing or at risk of experiencing homelessness.

FISCAL IMPACT: no funding impact

CONTRACT COMPLIANCE: the vendor number 004795 and expires 1/10/2024

To authorize the Director of the Department of Development to modify an agreement with the Community Shelter Board for the administration of the City's ESG-CV2 monies from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development in order to extend the time allowed to expend the funds and to further define the type of agreement as a "subward grant agreement"; and to declare an emergency. (\$0.00)

WHEREAS, the City of Columbus is a participating jurisdiction of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD); and

WHEREAS, the City is a current recipient of Emergency Solutions Grant funds from HUD; and

WHEREAS, the City received a letter dated June 9, 2020, of an awarded allocation of special Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) Program funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) under the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act), Public Law 116-136; and

WHEREAS, these special ESG-CV2 funds are to be used to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the coronavirus pandemic (COVID-19) among individuals and families who are homeless or receiving homeless assistance; and to support additional homeless assistance and homelessness prevention activities to mitigate the impacts of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, this ordinance authorizes the Director of the Department of Development to modify an agreement with the Community Shelter Board for the administration of the City's ESG-CV2 monies from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development in order to extend the time allowed to expend the funds for another year and to further define the type of agreement as a "subward grant agreement"; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Development in that it is immediately necessary, in order to continue implementation of efforts to respond to the coronavirus pandemic (COVID-19) on behalf of persons experiencing or at risk of experiencing homelessness, to authorize the Director to extend the term of the agreement, all for the 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 the Director of the Department of Development is hereby authorized to modify an agreement with the Community Shelter Board for the administration of the City's ESG-CV2 monies from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development in order to extend the time allowed to expend the funds to September 30, 2023 and to further define the type of agreement as a "subward grant agreement."

SECTION 2. 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.