



Housing & Health and Human Development Committees
Wednesday September 8, 2010
5:30 p.m.
City Council Chambers
Chair: Charleta B. Tavares

AGENDA

Health and Human Development Committee

- Legislative Review

Housing Committee

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PRESENTATION

- Christine Green, Columbus Public Health- Health Impact Assessment: Health in Decision Making
- Darnita Bradley. Columbia Gas-Home Performance Solutions

Future Dates for the Housing & Health and Human Development Committee meetings

9/22/10

10/06/10

10/20/10

11/03/10

11/17/10

12/01/10

12/14/10 **Budget Briefing Hearing**

12/15/10 **Budget Briefing Hearing**

Legislation Pending September 2010

HOUSING

1217-2010 EMERGENCY SHELTER REPAIR PROGRAM (\$250,000)

This legislation authorizes the Director of the Department of Development to enter into agreements with various non-profit organizations to assist with the rehabilitation of six emergency shelter facilities serving homeless individuals or families. The total amount of these agreements is \$250,000 from the Housing Preservation Fund portion of the 2010 Capital Improvement Budget, through the Emergency Shelter Repair program. The Emergency Shelter Repair Program provides funds with emergency shelter facilities in need of repair in order to improve services to homeless individuals or families. A Request for Proposals was issued by the Community Shelter Board (CSB) to emergency shelter providers. Proposals were submitted and then reviewed by CSB and City staff. Repair projects primarily focus on health and safety issues that need to be addressed for the well-being of both staff and clients. Projects include, but are not limited to, roof replacement, bathroom and kitchen renovations, and improved security systems. Each of the agencies is providing matching resources including both cash and/or in-kind contributions. Agencies to receive funding include ADAMH (Engagement Center) \$12,699, Huckleberry House \$39,900, Lutheran Social Services (Faith on 8th) \$66,860, Southeast Mental Health (Friends of the Homeless) \$45,955, Volunteers of America (Men's Shelter) \$44,000, and YWCA (Family Center) \$40,586.

1233-2010 COLUMBUS HOUSING PARTNERSHIP – HOMEBUYER EDUCATION (\$242,320)

This legislation authorizes the Director of the Department of Development to enter into a contract with Columbus Housing Partnership to provide HUD Certified homebuyer education. In response to the housing mortgage crisis, the city of Columbus has been awarded \$23,200,773 of Neighborhood Stabilization Program 2 (NSP2) grant funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The funds will provide for the purchase of foreclosed or abandoned properties, and the redevelopment, rehabilitation or demolition of these properties in order to stabilize neighborhoods and stem the decline of house values of neighboring homes. This legislation will implement the Homebuyer Education portion of NSP2 which requires all NSP2 homebuyers to complete HUD Certified homebuyer education prior to buying an NSP2 funded home. The Columbus

Housing Partnership is one of four HUD-certified homebuyer education receiving NSP2 funds for homebuyer education. The other agencies include Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC), Columbus Urban League, and Homes on the Hill CDC.

1234-2010 COLUMBUS URBAN LEAGUE – HOMEBUYER EDUCATION (\$132,208)

This legislation authorizes the Director of the Department of Development to enter into a contract with the Columbus Urban League to provide HUD Certified homebuyer education. In response to the housing mortgage crisis, the city of Columbus has been awarded \$23,200,773 of Neighborhood Stabilization Program 2 (NSP2) grant funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The funds will provide for the purchase of foreclosed or abandoned properties, and the redevelopment, rehabilitation or demolition of these properties in order to stabilize neighborhoods and stem the decline of house values of neighboring homes. This legislation will implement the Homebuyer Education portion of NSP2 which requires all NSP2 homebuyers to complete HUD Certified homebuyer education prior to buying an NSP2 funded home. The Columbus Urban League is one of four HUD-certified homebuyer education receiving NSP2 funds for homebuyer education. The other agencies include Columbus Housing Partnership, Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC), and Homes on the Hill CDC.

1235-2010 HOMES ON THE HILL – HOMEBUYER EDUCATION (\$94,753)

This legislation authorizes the Director of the Department of Development to enter into a contract with Homes on the Hill CDC to provide HUD Certified homebuyer education. In response to the housing mortgage crisis, the city of Columbus has been awarded \$23,200,773 of Neighborhood Stabilization Program 2 (NSP2) grant funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The funds will provide for the purchase of foreclosed or abandoned properties, and the redevelopment, rehabilitation or demolition of these properties in order to stabilize neighborhoods and stem the decline of house values of neighboring homes. This legislation will implement the Homebuyer Education portion of NSP2 which requires all NSP2 homebuyers to complete HUD Certified homebuyer education prior to buying an NSP2 funded home. The Homes on the Hill CDC, is one of four HUD-certified homebuyer education receiving NSP2 funds for homebuyer education. The other agencies include Columbus Housing Partnership, Columbus Urban League, and Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC).

1236-2010 MID-OHIO REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION – HOMEBUYER EDUCATION (\$80,659)

This legislation authorizes the Director of the Department of Development to enter into a contract with Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC) to provide HUD

Certified homebuyer education. In response to the housing mortgage crisis, the city of Columbus has been awarded \$23,200,773 of Neighborhood Stabilization Program 2 (NSP2) grant funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The funds will provide for the purchase of foreclosed or abandoned properties, and the redevelopment, rehabilitation or demolition of these properties in order to stabilize neighborhoods and stem the decline of house values of neighboring homes. This legislation will implement the Homebuyer Education portion of NSP2 which requires all NSP2 homebuyers to complete HUD Certified homebuyer education prior to buying an NSP2 funded home. The Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC) is one of four HUD-certified homebuyer education receiving NSP2 funds for homebuyer education. The other agencies include Columbus Housing Partnership, Columbus Urban League, and Homes on the Hill CDC.

1238-2010 CDBG-ELIGIBLE RELOCATION ACTIVITIES (\$45,000)

This ordinance authorizes the expenditure of \$45,000 from the Community Development Block Grant Fund (CDBG) to be used for CDBG-eligible relocation activities. The Uniform Relocation and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970 (the Uniform Relocation Act aka URA) contains the guidelines that must be followed when federal funds are used in the acquisition, rehabilitation or demolition of real property and when there is a relocation of occupants or personal/business property. Acquisition and Relocation Compliance Services provides assistance with the implementation of the Uniform Relocation Act when federal funds are used in a project and for the relocation of occupants when Code Enforcement issues an emergency vacate order under the Optional Relocation Program.

1240-2010 NEIGHBORHOOD STABILIZATION PROGRAM 2 EXPENDITURE (\$6,882,700)

This ordinance authorizes the expenditure of \$6,882,700 of Neighborhood Stabilization Program 2 (NSP2) funds for the Department of Development. Funds will be invested in eligible NSP2 activities including acquisition, rehabilitation, redevelopment and demolition of foreclosed, abandoned and vacant properties in order to stabilize neighborhoods and stem the decline of housing values. Prior ordinance 0800-2010 appropriated \$11,117,773.00 in various divisions and object levels of the General Government Grant Fund to provide funding for approved programs. The City of Columbus has been awarded \$23,200,773 of NSP2 grant funds under the American Reinvestment and Recovery Act of 2009 (Public Law 111-005) (Recovery Act) from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). Prior ordinance 0156-2010 authorized the Director of the Department of Development to enter into consortium funding agreements with members of the NSP2 Consortium and the appropriation and expenditure of \$12,083,000. The City of Columbus is

the Lead Applicant of the NSP 2 Consortium working together to achieve a common goal: Creating vital, healthy neighborhoods by implementing strategies that build a stronger housing real-estate market in weak-market areas of Columbus and Franklin County. Members of the NSP2 Consortium include: The City of Columbus, Franklin County, Affordable Housing Trust of Columbus and Franklin County, Campus Partners, Columbus Housing Partnership, Community Development Collaborative of Greater Columbus, and Habitat for Humanity of Greater Columbus.

1270-2010 ROOF REPAIR PROGRAM (\$300,000)

This legislation authorizes the expenditure of \$300,000 to preserve the local supply of decent, safe, sanitary and affordable housing for low-income families. The Housing Preservation Fund represents the City's commitment to the preservation of housing units affordable to very-low, low and moderate-income individuals. Funds will be used to provide eligible homeowners with assistance for home repairs through the Roof Repair Program in order to preserve the housing stock and enable homeowners to remain in their homes. Due the funding source the financial assistance will be in the form of grants. \$300,000 is available for this purpose from the 2010 Capital Improvements Budget, Housing Preservation Fund.

1278-2010 NSP2 CONSORTIUM AGREEMENT ORDINANCE AMENDMENT

Ordinance No. 0156-2010, passed January 25, 2010, authorized the Director of the Department of Development to enter into consortium funding agreements with members of the Neighborhood Stabilization Program 2 (NSP 2) Consortium. The City of Columbus is the Lead Applicant of the NSP 2 Consortium which is an association of seven organizations and government entities formed for the purpose of applying for and implementing NSP2 funds. It has been determined that the funding codes should be changed. No additional funding is required by this legislation.

1281-2010 NSP2 CONSORTIUM AGREEMENT AMENDMENT – COLUMBUS HOUSING PARTNERSHIP (\$417,500)

This legislation authorizes the transfer of funds between OCA codes within the General Government Grant Fund and the expenditure of \$417,500 to modify and increase the Neighborhood Stabilization Program 2 (NSP2) Consortium Agreement with Columbus Housing Partnership. The City of Columbus is the Lead Applicant of the NSP2 Consortium which is an association of seven organizations and government entities formed for the purpose of applying for and implementing NSP2 funds. Columbus Housing Partnership is a member of the NSP2 Consortium. Prior ordinance number 0156-2010 authorized the Director of the Department of Development to enter into consortium funding agreements

with members of the NSP2 Consortium. Companion legislation 1278-2010 amends 0156-2010 to establish correct object levels. The NSP2 funds will provide for the acquisition, rehabilitation, redevelopment or demolition of foreclosed, abandoned and vacant properties in order to stabilize neighborhoods and stem the decline of housing values.

HEALTH AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

HUMAN DEVELOPMENT-No pending legislation

HEALTH

NEWBORN HOME VISITING GRANT ACCEPTANCE AND APPROPRIATION-Ord. No. 1186-2010

The Columbus Health Department has been awarded a continuation grant from the Franklin County Department of Job and Family Services, Family and Children First Council. This ordinance is needed to accept and appropriate \$181,127.70 in grant money to fund the Newborn Home Visiting services program for the period of July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011.

The Newborn Home Visiting Services program identifies and provides nursing and educational services to mothers with newborns in Franklin County.

PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS GRANT ACCEPTANCE AND APPROPRIATION-Ord. No. 1187-2010

The Columbus Health Department has been awarded a grant from the Ohio Department of Health through the Centers for Disease Control. This ordinance is needed to accept and appropriate \$1,165,767.00 in grant money to fund the Public Health Emergency Preparedness program for the period of August 10, 2010 through August 9, 2011.

The Public Health Emergency Preparedness program establishes the Franklin County/City of Columbus support network that would be required in the event of bioterrorism activity in the central region of the state of Ohio. It also allocates funding for the Cities Readiness Initiative.

SPECIAL PURPOSE FUND APPROPRIATION FOR RABIES CLINICS – (Ord. No.

1197-2010)

Columbus Public Health, in partnership with area veterinarians and technicians, offers Columbus residents access to low-cost rabies vaccinations for their pets. Individual veterinarians and technicians that participate in Columbus Public Health's Animal Response Team, have agreed to donate their time to these special clinics so that the charges for services can be set at a minimal rate such that the fees generated will be sufficient to purchase replacement vaccine for the following clinic. In order to properly track and account for these monies, in 2009, the City Auditor created a subfund within the City's Special Purpose Fund, Fund No. 223. This ordinance authorizes the appropriation of \$15,000 through December 31, 2010 for the rabies clinics.

MINORITY HEALTH GRANT AWARD- (Ord. No. 1105-2010)

The Columbus Health Department was awarded a grant from the Ohio Commission On Minority Health. This ordinance is needed to accept and appropriate \$75,000.00 to fund the Minority Health Grant Program, for the period July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011. The purpose of the grant is to address needs and disparities in the City of Columbus in order to continue to develop the local Minority Health Program.

HOPWA CONTRACT MODIFICATION (Ord. No. 1239-2010)

The HOPWA program provides for the implementation of long-term comprehensive strategies for meeting the housing needs of low income persons with HIV/AIDS and their families. Columbus AIDS Task Force (Contract Compliance No. 311126780), Pater Noster House (Contract Compliance No. 311118086), and Lancaster Fairfield Community Action Organization (Contract Compliance No. 316060695) submitted proposals during an RFP process completed in October 2008. These agencies were the only providers who specialize exclusively in assisting income-eligible individuals/households living with HIV/AIDS in the eight county EMSA. Additional targeted housing assistance is now needed due to a withdrawal of Pater Naster House, one of the HOPWA Project Sponsors. This ordinance will authorize a modification and increase of the current contract with the Columbus AIDS Task Force for the period through December 31, 2010, in an amount not to exceed \$80,000.00.

FAMILY AND COMMUNITY VIOLENCE GRANT AWARD (Ord. No. 1224-2010)

The Columbus State Community College is the primary grantee of a federal grant from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services for the Family and Community Violence Prevention grant program. The Columbus Health Department will partner with the Columbus State Community College as a sub-grantee to provide drug, alcohol, and violence prevention and wellness education. This ordinance is needed to accept and appropriate \$82,669.00 to fund the Family and Community Violence Prevention grant program, for the period

September 1, 2010 through August 31, 2011.

The primary objective of the Family and Community Violence Prevention grant program is to provide violence, alcohol, and drug prevention as well as wellness education to youth ages 10 through 13. The emphasis will be on health and wellness to Somali Bantu youth residing in the Wedgewood Apartment Complex.

FAMILY AND COMMUNITY VIOLENCE CONTRACT WITH COMMUNITY FOR NEW DIRECTION (Ord. No. 1245-2010)

The Board of Health has been awarded a grant from the Columbus State Community College to fund the Family and Community Violence Prevention grant program for the period September 1, 2010 through August 31, 2011. The grant funds awarded provide for a drug, alcohol, and violence prevention and wellness education service contract for an amount not to exceed \$37,945.00.

The terms and conditions of the Family and Community Violence Prevention grant stipulate that the Columbus Health Department enter into a contract with Community For New Direction, a non-profit organization; therefore, this contract was awarded in compliance with Section 329.02 of the Columbus City Code.