



Legislation Text

File #: 60675, **Version:** 2

The proposed Resolution authorizes the Community Development Division to accept a 2019 Continuum of Care (CoC) grant from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The total grant award is \$107,086. Funding from the grant is used to fund personnel costs associated with the Dane County/City of Madison Continuum of Care Coordinator position housed within the Community Development Division. The 2020 Adopted budget includes \$105,000 in appropriations for this grant, the difference between the appropriated amount and actual grant award will be offset through prior year unused appropriation within the CDD Grant Fund.

SUBSTITUTE-Authorizing the City to accept an award of \$107,086 from HUD's 2019 Continuum of Care (CoC) Program competition; amending the Community Development Division's 2020 Adopted Operating Budget as appropriate; and authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to enter into agreements necessary to accept the funds.

Background

As part of the local Continuum of Care's federal application cycle, the City of Madison annually submits an application to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for funds to hire and support a Dane County/Madison Continuum of Care Coordinator. The primary goal of the position is to support implementation of community-wide processes to manage and coordinate the efforts of local homeless providers and related organizations working to meet the goals of preventing and ending homelessness in Dane County/Madison, Wisconsin. The Community Development Division hired a CoC Coordinator in February 2017, and has received funding to support the position since the initial award. The position's continuance is dependent upon the annual renewal of this HUD funding.

Action

WHEREAS, the City of Madison has long been integrally involved in local efforts to end and prevent homelessness; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Madison is a member and active participant in the Dane County/Madison Continuum of Care; and,

WHEREAS, the City was recently awarded \$107,086 in federal Continuum of Care planning funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to continue support for a Dane County/Madison Continuum (CoC) of Care Coordinator for an additional year; and,

WHEREAS, the CoC Coordinator facilitates and oversees the annual CoC Homeless Assistance Grant application processes, working with agencies submitting renewals and agencies reallocating funds, and also recruits new agencies to fill identified gaps in the local CoC; and,

WHEREAS, the CoC Coordinator develops and oversees systematic program evaluations of CoC- funded programs and coordinates with City staff tasked with evaluating ESG-funded programs and other homeless services; and,

WHEREAS, the CoC Coordinator also provides one-on-one technical assistance and facilitates contracting with outside technical experts as needed; and,

WHEREAS, the CoC Coordinator manages the local CoC's response to City of Madison and Dane County Consolidated Plan processes, provides input to the *Community Plan to Prevent and End Homelessness*, and provides guidance to City and County policy makers and elected officials around homeless issues;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Common Council hereby authorizes the Mayor and the City Clerk to accept a \$107,086 FY19 CoC grant from and to execute a contract with HUD, in a form approved by the City Attorney and Risk Manager, for the continued support of a Dane County/Madison Continuum of Care Coordinator, a position which is located within the Community Development Division's CDBG Unit; and,

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Common Council authorizes the Mayor and City Clerk to accept future grant agreements with HUD, in a form approved by the City Attorney and Risk Manager, for the Continuum of Care Coordinator planning grant, subject to the receipt of each year's funds being appropriately recognized in the Community Development Division's budget.