



Recommendation for Action

File #: 21-1359, **Agenda Item #:** 21.

3/4/2021

Posting Language

Approve an ordinance amending the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Housing and Planning Operating Budget (Ordinance No. 20200812-001) to accept and appropriate \$1,515,678 in grant funds from the United States. Department of Housing and Urban Development, through the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs, for the Emergency Rental Assistance Program to provide financial assistance to income-eligible households economically impacted by COVID-19.

Lead Department

Housing and Planning Department.

Fiscal Note

Funding is available from the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs' as a pass-through from the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development, Community Development Block Grant-CARES Act in the amount of \$1,515,678. A fiscal note is attached.

Prior Council Action:

August 12, 2020-Approved the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Housing and Planning Operating Budget.

For More Information:

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Additional Backup Information:

This action accepts funds from the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs and amends the Housing and Planning Operating Budget to appropriate funds in the amount of \$1,515,678. These funds are from the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs' United States Department of Housing and Community Development, Community Development Block Grant-CARES Act.

If approved, these funds will help Austin income eligible tenants impacted by the Coronavirus, to stay housed during the pandemic by paying up to six months of rent, including rental arrears with at least one of those months covering a current or future month of rent.

Strategic Outcome(s):

Economic Opportunity and Affordability.