

September 2, 2021

The Honorable Kevin Kelley  
President, Cleveland City Council  
601 Lakeside Avenue  
Cleveland, OH 44114

**Subject: Legislation to be Passed Under Suspension on September 20, 2021**

Dear Council President Kelley,

We are requesting the following ordinance to be passed under suspension at the first reading on September 20, 2021. The legislation will authorize the Director of Community Development to submit a proposal for the grant as outlined in the Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA), accept any resulting grant awards, and enter into contracts to secure materials, equipment, supplies, and services necessary to administer the grant.

**The Lead Hazard Reduction Grant Program** assists local governments in undertaking a comprehensive program to identify and control lead-base paint hazards in eligible privately owned rental or owner-occupied housing. **The Lead Hazard Control Program** will provide health and safe interventions for low- and very low-income families to address multiple home hazards, including lead, asthma triggers, excess moisture, pest infestation and associated pesticide exposure, radon, inadequate ventilation, and accidental injury hazards.

Notice of the grant was just received on August 31, 2021 with subsequent review thereafter to determine our qualification. This grant notice falls after the most recent Council meeting on August 18, 2021. Passage of this legislation on September 20, 2021 is critical to begin the application process as soon as possible as the deadline for grant application is September 27, 2021.

If you should have any additional questions or concerns, you may contact me at (216) 664-4143.

Sincerely,



Michiel Wackers, Director  
Department of Community Development

cc: All Members of Council  
Patricia J. Britt, City Clerk, Clerk of Council  
Valarie McCall, Chief of Government Affairs, Mayor's Office  
Louise Jackson, Commissioner, Neighborhood Services