

Ordinance No. 1082-2021

By Council Members McCormack and Kelley (by departmental request)

AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE

Authorizing the Director of Public Health to enter into a tri-party agreement with the County of Cuyahoga and Case Western Reserve University, School of Medicine, for professional services necessary to continue the First Year Cleveland Program; and authorizing any agreements needed to continue the program, for a period of one year, with an additional one-year option to renew, exercisable by the Director of Public Health.

WHEREAS, unintended pregnancy rates in Cuyahoga County and the City of Cleveland are high and often impact high school and college completion, family stability, and health outcomes of both mother and infant; and

WHEREAS, unintended pregnancies often lead to significant premature births, which are a primary cause of the high levels of infant mortality in the region; and

WHEREAS, the City of Cleveland and Cuyahoga County formed First Year Cleveland; and

WHEREAS, Case Western Reserve University, School of Medicine (“CWRU”) has agreed to continue to serve as fiscal agent for the program, provide expertise and assistance for the First Year Cleveland Program, and work with First Year Cleveland’s Advisory Council; and

WHEREAS, this ordinance constitutes an emergency measure providing for the usual daily operation of a municipal department; now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CLEVELAND:

Section 1. That the Director of Public Health is authorized to enter into a tri-party agreement with the County of Cuyahoga and CWRU to continue the First Year Cleveland Program. The agreement will provide, among other things, that CWRU will serve as fiscal agent for First Year Cleveland and provide expertise and assistance for the First Year Cleveland Program, for a period of one year, with an additional one-year option to renew, exercisable by the Director of Public Health. CWRU agrees to provide in-kind support and services and work with First Year Cleveland’s Advisory Council to design the First Year Cleveland Program and staffing plan based on outcome measurements set forth by the Advisory Council. A program summary is placed in **File No. 1082-2021-A.**

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Section 2. That the Director of Public Health is authorized to enter into any agreement or agreements with other agencies or entities needed to implement this ordinance.

Section 3. That the costs of the agreement shall not exceed \$500,000 and shall be paid from Fund No. 01-5005-6320, RQS 5005, RLA 2021-86.

Section 4. That this ordinance is declared to be an emergency measure and, provided it receives the affirmative vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to Council, it shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor; otherwise it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

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11-22-2021
FOR: Interim Director Kimball

