

Ordinance No. 1189-2024

**By Council Members Santana and Griffin
(by departmental request)**

AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE

To enter into a contract with the newly formed non-profit Cleveland-Cuyahoga County Workforce Development Board to enable them to implement the City's Built Environment Initiative by administering sub-agreements with various entities to provide services under the initiative.

WHEREAS, under Ordinance No. 86-2023, passed January 30, 2023, this Council authorized the Director of Finance to enter into one or more subgrant agreements with Ohio Means Jobs Cleveland – Cuyahoga County (“OMJ|CC”) to implement a citywide program designed to grow local workforce pipelines in key industries, specifically with respect to training historically underrepresented and marginalized workers (the “Built Environment Initiative”); and

WHEREAS, under the authority of Ordinance No. 672-2023, passed June 5, 2023, the Director of Finance entered into fourteen three-party agreements with OMJ|CC and the following entities to implement the Built Environment Initiative: ACE Mentor Program of Cleveland (CT-1501-PS2023*0249); Advocacy & Communication Solutions LLC (CT-1501-PS2023*0266); Contractors Assistance Association (CT-1501-PS2023*0313); Cleveland Builds, Inc. (CT-1501-PS2023*0236); Cleveland Neighborhood Progress (CT-1501-PS2023*0238); Economic Growth Foundation (CT-1501-PS2023*0241); Hard Hatted Women (CT-1501-PS2023*0227); Rid-All Foundation, Inc. (CT-1501-PS2023*0240); Spanish American Committee (CT-1501-PS2023*0219); Towards Employment, Incorporated (CT-1501-PS2023*0217); Cuyahoga Community College District (CT-1501-PS2023*0218); United Labor Agency, Inc. (CT-1501-PS2023*0235); Urban League of Greater Cleveland, Inc. (CT-1501-PS2023*0232); and Youth Opportunities Unlimited (CT-1501-PS2023*0237) (the “Initial Agreements”); and

WHEREAS, OMJ|CC provided project management and verification services prior to the City's payment to contractors under each of the Initial Agreements, and has transitioned to become a corporation for non-profit with the legal name Cleveland-Cuyahoga County Workforce Development Board (the “CCWDB”) as of April 17, 2024; and

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WHEREAS, the City desires to further the public purpose of expenditure of public funds for various training, apprenticeships, and support programs that reduce barriers faced by underrepresented and marginalized workers for employment in key industries under the Built Environment Initiative; and

WHEREAS, contracting with a single entity to manage programs and corresponding expenditure under the Built Environment Initiative would enhance the efficiency of the Built Environment Initiative; and

WHEREAS, the Initial Agreements will be terminated under their respective terms, and the balances will be decertified to the fund or funds approved by the Director of Finance; 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 this Council has determined that the expenditure of public funds for various training, apprenticeships, and support programs that reduce barriers faced by underrepresented and marginalized workers for employment in key industries under the Built Environment Initiative is a proper public purpose.

Section 2. That the Director of Economic Development is authorized to enter into a contract with the CCWDB (the “Contract”) to implement the Built Environment Initiative by administering sub-agreements with various entities that would provide programming to reduce and or eliminate barriers for historically underrepresented and marginalized workers in key industries in the City and to foster local workforce pipelines in such industries.

Section 3. That the Contract shall be prepared by the Director of Law and shall contain such terms and conditions that the Director of Law deems necessary to protect and benefit the City.

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Section 4. That the Director of Economic Development shall provide all members of this Council's Committee on Workforce, Education, Training and Youth Development with quarterly reports relating to the implementation and performance of the Contract.

Section 5. That the cost of the Contract shall not exceed \$8,386,550.61 and shall be paid from the fund or funds authorized and appropriated for this use originally in the Initial Agreements and from Fund No. 10 SF 400. (RQS 9501, RLA 2024-103)

Section 6. 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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10-28-2024
FOR: Director McNair

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