

Ordinance No. 402-2019

Council Members: Brancatelli and Kelley (by departmental request)

An emergency ordinance authorizing the Director of Community Development to employ one or more professional consultants to provide Decent, Safe and Sanitary Inspections, for a period of two years, with up to four six-month options to renew, exercisable by the Director of Community Development.

WHEREAS, HUD regulations under the HOME Investment Partnership Program require that units rehabilitated with Federal funds be maintained in Decent, Safe and Sanitary (“DSS”) condition for the duration of the HOME Affordability Period, which term differs by project; and HUD regulations under the Uniform Relocation Act require that units be certified as DSS before tenants are temporarily relocated or permanently displaced to those units as a result of a federally-funded project; and

WHEREAS, Community Development staff do annual site visits at each project rehabilitated using HOME dollars throughout its Affordability Period; and

WHEREAS, the annual review includes an inspection by a DSS Inspector to examine the units and issue a report; 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 Community Development is authorized to employ by contract or contracts one or more consultants or one or more firms of consultants for the purpose of supplementing the regularly employed staff of the several departments of the City of Cleveland in order to provide professional services necessary to provide DSS Inspections of tenant units rehabilitated using HOME dollars throughout its Affordability Period in compliance with HUD regulations and DSS inspections of units proposed for occupancy by tenants being temporarily relocated or permanently displaced as a result of a federally-funded project, for a period of two years, with up to four six-month options to renew, exercisable by the Director of Community Development.

The selection of the consultant or consultants for the services shall be made by the Board of Control on the nomination of the Director of Community Development from a list of qualified consultants available for employment, as may be determined after a full and complete canvass by the Director of Community Development for the purpose of compiling a list. The compensation to be paid for the services shall be fixed by the Board of Control. The contract or contracts authorized shall be prepared by the Director of Law, approved by the Director of Community Development, and certified by the Director of Finance.

Section 2. That the cost of the contract or contracts authorized shall be paid from Fund No. 14 SF 042, Request No. RQS 8006, RL 2019-27.

Section 3. 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.

Passed April 15, 2019.

Effective April 17, 2019.