

Legislation Text

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Ordinance Amending State, Federal and Other Grants Fund Budget in the Amount of \$71,100 for the Appropriation of the FY 2020 Fair Housing Training Program Grant Funds

Council Priority: Ensure Fiscal Stewardship, Transparency, & Accountability

Department: Human Rights Council District: All

Public Hearing: N/A Advertising Date/By: N/A

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## PURPOSE:

The purpose of this ordinance is to appropriate grant funds from the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) in the amount of \$71,100 to fund salary, other services and training costs for the Fair Housing Assistance Program. A budget ordinance needs to be approved by the City Council to permit the expenditure of funds.

## **BACKGROUND:**

The City has a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between HUD and the Human Rights Department designating the department as a Fair Housing Assistance Program. Human Rights receives federal monies for cases that are required to be investigated under the City's Fair Housing Ordinance. The Human Rights Department is awarded payment in the amount of \$71,100 for the period (July 1, 2019 - June 31, 2020). The award amount is applied towards salary, other services and training costs for the Fair Housing staff.

The department receives a recurring grant annually from HUD based on the number of fair housing cases investigated the previous fiscal year. An agreement with the City of Greensboro and federal government, related to its receipt of fair housing federal grant funds requires the City to affirmatively further fair housing. The City's Fair Housing Ordinance and its Fair Housing Assistance Program are two of the ways that Greensboro meets this commitment. A portion of the money (\$13,200) is to be used for staff training and professional development.

# **BUDGET IMPACT**:

This grant, in the amount of \$71,100 represents federal funding for services provided by the City and does not require any additional City funding. The grant will be appropriated to the FY2020 Fair Housing Training Program Grant Fund.

## **RECOMMENDATION / ACTION REQUESTED:**

It is requested and recommended that the City Council adopt the attached budget ordinance amending the Fair

Housing Assistance Program grant funding (FHAP grant number FF204K204013) in the amount of \$71,100 in support of the City's Fair Housing Assistance Program.