

CITY OF OBERLIN, OHIO

ORDINANCE No. 13-12 AC CMS

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO APPLY FOR COMMUNITY HOUSING IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FUNDS TO THE STATE OF OHIO DEVELOPMENT SERVICES AGENCY, AND TO ACCEPT GRANT FUNDS UNDER THAT PROGRAM AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, the City of Oberlin adopted a Community Housing Improvement Strategy (CHIS) in the past and said Strategy has been approved by the Ohio Department of Development and is still considered to be in effect; and

WHEREAS, the Draft Fiscal Year 2013 Ohio Consolidated Plan recognizes the need to assist low and moderate income homeowners, and the Community Housing Improvement Program is a grant program that can meet that need; and

WHEREAS, one of the implementation measures described in our CHIS is an application for Community Housing Improvement Program (CHIP) grant funding to the State of Ohio, Department of Development; and

WHEREAS, the City of Oberlin has successfully administered eight (8) previous rounds of CHIP funding; and

WHEREAS, the City of Oberlin desires to continue the implementation of its Community Housing Improvement Strategy in order to provide assistance to low and moderate income residents with home rehabilitation; to low and moderate income residents seeking home repairs; and, to low and moderate income residents on the verge of foreclosure or eviction; and

WHEREAS, the City of Oberlin is devoted to furthering fair housing practices in Oberlin.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Oberlin, County of Lorain, State of Ohio, five-sevenths (5/7ths) of all members elected thereto concurring:

SECTION 1: That the City Manager is hereby authorized and directed to immediately apply for funding under the Community Housing Improvement Program (CHIP), to the State of Ohio Development Services Agency, Office of Community Development, and to accept a grant award under that program.

SECTION 2: It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning or relating to the adoption of this ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of the Council and that all deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

SECTION 3: That this ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety of the citizens of the City of Oberlin, Ohio, or to provide for the usual daily operation of a municipal department, to wit:

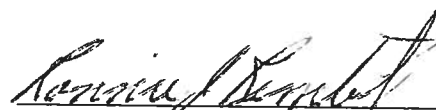
“In order to allow timely filing of an application for funding, the deadline for which is April 5, 2013”, and shall take effect immediately upon passage.

PASSED: 1st Reading – March 18, 2013 (E)
2nd Reading –
3rd Reading –

ATTEST:



BELINDA B. ANDERSON, CMC
CLERK OF COUNCIL



RONNIE J. RIMBERT
PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

POSTED: 03/19/2013

EFFECTIVE DATE: 03/18/2013



Development
Services Agency

John R. Kasich, Governor

David Goodman, Director



September 5, 2013

Mr. Eric Norenbert, City Manger
City of Oberlin
85 S. Main Street
Oberlin, Ohio 44074

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Subject: FY 2013 Community Housing Improvement Program (CHIP) Application Results

Dear Mr. Norenbert:

The Ohio Development Services Agency, Office of Community Development recently completed its review of 92 FY 2013 Community Housing Improvement Program (CHIP) applications submitted by the April 5, 2013 deadline. Funding requests totaled approximately \$36 million.

The proposals were thoroughly reviewed according to the guidelines outlined in the FY 2013 Ohio Consolidated Plan. Upon completion of the review process, \$25,651,500 in Community Development Block Grant Program, HOME Investment Partnerships Program and Ohio Housing Trust Fund dollars were allocated to 66 top-ranking applications. Unfortunately, the City of Oberlin's application did not rank high enough to be considered for funding in FY 2013.

However, the Office of Community Development is interested in providing individual technical assistance to improve the City of Oberlin's application for the next CHIP funding round. We are setting aside two days for these technical assistance meetings. If the City of Oberlin is interested in receiving this assistance, please contact Danielle Thompson at (614) 466-2285, to make arrangements. The dates available are October 3rd and 4th. Please allow approximately one hour for the meeting to be held here at our Columbus office on one of these two days. We are requesting that the CEO of the community attend this review with the administrator/application preparer to make this assistance as beneficial as possible.

Thank you for your interest in the Community Housing Improvement Program application submitted on behalf of your community. We look forward to working with you again in the future.

Sincerely,

Michael A. Hiler, Deputy Chief
Office of Community Development

MAH/SLG/HC/vb

C: Heidi Crabtree, Office of Community Development
Patricia A. Lines, Patricia A. Lines and Associates, Inc.
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