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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2025-142

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council President at the request of the Mayor

Date of Introduction: February 25, 2025

Committee(s) of Reference: NCSPHS, F

Date of Analysis: February 25, 2025

Type of Action: Appropriation and reallocation

Bill Summary: This bill appropriates \$4,000,000, including a reallocation of \$2,000,000 in Emergency Rental Assistance Program (ERA2) grant funds and \$2,000,000 from the General Fund Operating Reserves. The funding will be allocated as follows: \$2,000,000 of ERA2 funds will be redirected to the Madison Palms Development Loan – Loans account to ensure the funds are spent before the grant deadline. \$2,000,000 from the General Fund Operating Reserves will be allocated to the I.M. Sulzbacher Center for the Homeless, Inc. to support the Sulzbacher Enterprise Village project.

Background Information: Ordinance 2024-426-E initially appropriated \$2,000,000 in ERA2 funds to Sulzbacher for the Sulzbacher Enterprise Village project, but due to construction delays, the organization will be unable to meet the grant's expenditure deadline of September 30, 2025. To prevent the funds from being forfeited, the Housing and Community Development Division (HCDD) collaborated with the Office of Economic Development to reallocate the \$2,000,000 to the Madison Palms Development Loan, ensuring timely expenditure for the affordable housing development project at 8300 Merrill Road. Additionally, Ordinance 2024-0796-E had previously allocated \$5,000,000 from the General Fund Operating Reserves to the Madison Palms Development Loan. This bill reallocates \$2,000,000 of those funds back to Sulzbacher to support its housing initiative.

Policy Impact Area: Affordable housing, homelessness prevention, and rental assistance.

Fiscal Impact: This bill reallocates \$4,000,000 in previously appropriated funds, ensuring the expenditure of federal grant funds before the deadline while maintaining funding for both housing projects

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