CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2025-388

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

Date of Introduction: May 27, 2025

Committee(s) of Reference: F, NCSPHS

Date of Analysis: May 27, 2025

Type of Action: Appropriation; authorization for reallocation of grant funds; approval of positions

Bill Summary: This bill appropriates \$5,472,888.89 in annual federal Home Investment Partnership (HOME) Grant program funding, including \$3,2427,216.72 from the US Department of Housing and Urban Development, \$410,275.53 from program income, and \$1,815,396.64 in reprogrammed program income. This will provide funding for a wide range of activities to assist low and very low-income households, including rehabilitation, new construction, and direct assistance to tenants and homebuyers, as initiated by BT 26-003. This bill also provides authorization for reallocation of grant funds and approves positions, as initiated by RC 26-002

Background Information: The HOME Program funds are distributed on a formula basis to state and local governments, which choose how to invest them to best meet local housing needs. Jurisdictions must match every dollar of HOME funds used with 25 cents from non-federal sources, which may include donated materials or labor, the value of donated property, proceeds from bond financing, and other resources. The City meets this match requirement by utilizing State Housing Initiative Partnership (SHIP) funds for activities and eligible recipients under the HOME Program.

This appropriation aims to provide funding for a wide range of activities including building, buying, and/or rehabilitating affordable housing for rent or homeownership for, or providing direct rental assistance to, low and very low-income individuals and families. The funds appropriated in this bill will be spent for the City's Limited Repair Program, development subsidies for certified Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDOs), a revolving loan fund, and the costs associated with the administration and delivery of the HOME Program. The bill also allows funds to be reallocated to the next eligible awardee in the event a sub-recipient is unable or unwilling to accept an award of HOME funds. It also approves positions described in RC 26-002 that are fully funded by HOME grant dollars and will provide services in support of the HOME program.

Policy Impact Area: Housing

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