

# CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY



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**Bill Type and Number:** Ordinance 2025-402

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

**Date of Introduction:** May 27, 2025

**Committee(s) of Reference:** F, NCSPHS, R

**Date of Analysis:** May 27, 2025

**Type of Action:** Appropriation; Section 126.108(G), *Ordinance Code*, exemption; Section 118.107, *Ordinance Code*, waiver; approve and authorize the Mayor to execute and deliver an agreement

**Bill Summary:** This bill appropriates \$582,374.00 in annual Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) from the US Department of Housing and Urban Development to fund various services and activities aimed at addressing homelessness that meet the goals and objectives of the ESG program, as initiated by BT 26-002. The bill also invokes the exemption in Section 126.108(G) and waives Section 188.107, *Ordinance Code*, to allow for a direct contract with Changing Homelessness, Inc. The bill approves and authorizes the Mayor to execute and deliver an agreement with Changing Homelessness, Inc., for the provision of services. The bill also authorizes the reallocation of grant funds in the event a sub-recipient is unable or unwilling to accept an award of ESG funds.

**Background Information:** The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funding for services and activities aimed at addressing homelessness that meet ESG program goals and objectives. This includes services that: engage homeless families living on the street; improve the number and quality of emergency shelters for homeless individuals and families; help operate these shelters; provide essential services to shelter residents; rapidly re-house homeless individuals or families; and prevent individuals and families from becoming homeless. A portion of the ESG funds will be used for costs associated with the administration of the ESG program.

The bill also waives Section 126.108(g), *Ordinance Code*, which exempts procurement from competitive solicitation, because the supplies or services are to be provided by the entity prescribed within authorizing legislation that appropriates the same. It also waives Section 118.107, *Ordinance Code*, because Changing Homelessness, Inc., is the only entity able to provide administration and oversight of the Homeless Management Information System

**Policy Impact Area:** Housing

**Fiscal Impact:** Appropriation of \$582,374 in annual ESG funding

**Analyst:** Russell