CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2022-868

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

Date of Introduction: November 22, 2022

Committee(s) of Reference: NCSPHS, F, TEU

Date of Analysis: November 24, 2022

Type of Action: Appropriation; designation of oversight agency

Bill Summary: The bill appropriates a \$74,600 grant award from the United States Environmental Protection Agency funded by the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021. The grant funds will be used to procure equipment for continuous air monitoring for particulate matter concentrations in underserved communities.

Background Information: The grant will be used to procure new air quality monitoring devices to monitor particulate matter in and near communities with environmental justice concerns which face disproportionate exposure to air pollutants resulting in an increased vulnerability for health risks. The new equipment will replace and/or upgrade existing filter-based PM2.5, PM10 and NO2 monitors and will provide 24-hour, seven days per week, real-time reporting of air quality concentrations as well as upgrade aging equipment in underserved communities.

Policy Impact Area: Air quality monitoring; public health

Fiscal Impact: The bill appropriates a \$74,600 federal grant of American Rescue Plan Act funds.

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