



Legislation Text

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RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REPROGRAMMING OF \$22,438.71 OF EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANT (ESG-CV1) FUNDS FROM THE HRA EVICTION PREVENTION PROGRAM TO THE SAFE HAVEN SHELTER PROGRAM.

CITY PROPOSAL:

RESOLVED, that the proper city officials are hereby authorized to reprogram \$22,438.71 in Emergency Solution Grant Program (ESG-CV1) Funds

Fund 262, Agency 020, Object 5434, Project - CD20 ES CV1 Resolution # 20-0578RR

| Project | Activity | Original Budget | New Grant | Difference |
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| 1734 | HRA Eviction Prevention Program Housing & Redevelopment Authority of Duluth | \$68,840 | \$46,401.29 | (\$22,438.71) |

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| ES 2509 | Safe Haven Shelter Program Safe Haven Shelter for Battered Women | \$0 | \$22,438.71 | \$22,438.71 |

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE: During the 2023 application process for Emergency Solution Grant (ESG) funds which occurred in the fall of 2022, the amount of requests exceeded the expected amount the City of Duluth plans to receive. Recently, the Housing and Redevelopment Authority of Duluth (HRA) performed an audit on the ESG-CV funding they received for the HRA Eviction Prevention Program. This audit showed that \$22,438.71 funds were not needed for the program and the HRA sent the funds back to the City of Duluth for reprogramming.

One of the 2023 applications for the ESG funds was from Safe Haven, who have had an increase in need for services as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. This increase in need and the services they provide qualified them to meet the requirements for the ESG-CV funding. To accommodate the increase in demand for the regular entitlement ESG funding, Safe Haven withdrew their ESG funding for the 2022 program year so that those funds could be allocated to the 2023 program funding. The community development committee approved of the reallocation of ESG-CV funds at the December 6, 2022 meeting when they made the 2023 Program Years recommendations to city council.