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Detroit City Council
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RE: FY 2019-20 BUDGET AMENDMENT TO CDBG/NOF Homeless Public Service

Honorable City Council:

The Housing and Revitalization Department (HRD) hereby requests to amend the 2019-20 U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)/NOF Homeless Public Service budget to allocate the Foreclosure Prevention Homeless Public Service activity to United Community Housing Coalition (UCHC) in the amount of \$225,000.23 for FY 2019-20.

The fiscal year 2019-20 budget for HUD's final allocations were received after the Departmental budgets were finalized. Therefore, the budgets in this program needs to be adjusted to reflect HUD's final allocations. The Department is requesting that the revision is approved to enable HRD to begin working with this community partner to facilitate the great work planned in the City of Detroit.

We respectfully request that your Honorable Body approve the attached resolution authorizing this amendment to the 2019-20 budget for the stated purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

Donald Rencher
Director

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Attachment

cc: S. Washington, Mayor's Office
Val Miller, HR

APPROVED	
BUDGET DIRECTOR	
Date	1/10/19

BY COUNCIL MEMBER _____

WHEREAS, the Detroit City Council hereby approved Fiscal Year 2019-20 City's estimated Budgets for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Homeless Public Service; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor of the City of Detroit, Michael E. Duggan, is hereby authorized to amend the revised 2019-20 budget w/appropriation numbers for revenues and expenditures, including all understandings and assurances contained therein to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) in accordance with the foregoing communication; and

RESOLVED, that the Budget Director be and is hereby authorized to Increase Appropriation #11806 – United Community Housing Coalition by \$225,000.23; and

RESOLVED, that the Budget Director be and is hereby authorized to Decrease Appropriation #12168- Homeless Public Service by \$225,000.23; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Finance Director be and is hereby authorized to accept and process all documents reflecting these changes.



MEMORANDUM

TO: Denise Fair, Chief Public Health Officer
City of Detroit

Brad Dick, Group Executive of Infrastructure
City of Detroit

CC: Honorable Colleagues
Janice Winfrey, City Clerk
Stephanie Washington, Legislative Liaison

FROM: Council President Brenda Jones *BJ*

RE: Detroit Animal Care and Control Budget

Please provide a report detailing the Detroit Animal Care and Control's utilization of the FY2019-2020 Budget. Including but not limited to the following:

1. Funds spent on and available funds for Animal Care and Control Investigators, Animal Care and Control Officers, Animal Care and Control Technicians and call center employees.
2. Funds spent and available funds for advertising and marketing.
3. Funds spent and available funds for operations.
 - Please provide detailed breakdown of operational expenditures and available funding.
4. Number of filled and open positions.
 - Please include position titles.
5. Budgetary plans for the General Services Department and Detroit Animal Care Control joint animal care and control operations.

MEMORANDUM

TO: Christa McLellan, Deputy CFO/Treasurer
City of Detroit

Lawrence Garcia, Corporation Counsel
City of Detroit

CC: Honorable Colleagues
Janice Winfrey, City Clerk
Stephanie Washington, Legislative Liaison

FROM: Council President Brenda Jones *BG*

RE: Detroit Homeowners Overtaxed \$600 million

In a recent article entitled "Detroit homeowners overtaxed \$600 million" published by the Detroit News, it was stated that "of more than 63,000 Detroit homes with delinquent debt of last fall, more than 90% were overtaxed—by an average of at least \$3,700—between 2010 and 2016." Furthermore, despite the state-ordered reappraisal of every residential property in 2017 to alleviate the issue, there are still thousands of Detroit residents who face foreclosure over back taxes.

Please provide responses to the following questions and concerns:

1. What is the total value of over-assessed property taxes within the City of Detroit?
2. How many properties have been over-assessed?
 - a. Of those properties, how many are delinquent?
 - b. Of those properties, how many are in foreclosure?
3. What plans are in place to make whole the thousands of Detroit residents that were over-assessed on their property taxes?
4. What is the possibility of providing the following relief options:
 - a. Tax Credits for the overtaxed amounts.
 - b. Extended payment plans with lower payments and no interest.