

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SAFETY/SERVICE TO ENTER INTO A SUBRECIPIENT AGREEMENT WITH THE ERIE COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT FOR A LEAD HAZARD TESTING AND ABATEMENT PROGRAM AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, the City of Lorain, through its Building, Housing and Planning Department (BHP), desires to enter into a subrecipient agreement with the Erie County Health Department (ECHD) for the provision of lead hazard control services; and

WHEREAS, said agreement shall provide for the expenditure of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds in an amount not to exceed One Hundred Twenty-Five Thousand Six Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$125,650.00), consisting of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) for each of fiscal years 2024 and 2025, and the remaining balance of Twenty-Five Thousand Six Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$25,650.00) from previous years; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of this program is to identify and remediate lead-based paint hazards, with a particular focus on protecting households with young children; and

WHEREAS, ECHD was awarded \$1.5 million dollars from the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) through HUD's Lead Hazard Reduction funding to address Lead-Based Paint/Lead Hazard Testing and Abatement; and

WHEREAS, On June 6, 2017, Lorain City Council Approved Resolution 23-17 for match funding for the Lead-Based Paint/Lead Hazard Testing and Abatement Program administered by the ECHD and in partnership with the Lorain County Health District; and

WHEREAS, ECHD is permitted by HUD to allocate a maximum of Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000.00) per home; and

WHEREAS, ECHD will utilize a combination of grants they receive from their Local Home Beautification, State Revolving Loan and owner/landlord match funding to assist Lorain City owner occupied and qualified rental units whom homes were constructed pre-1978 with correcting lead-based paint hazards especially in homes with young children; and

WHEREAS, The City of Lorain will match at a maximum of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00) of the total per unit project cost in correcting lead-based paint hazards; and

WHEREAS, Priority shall be given to families or occupants with children from birth to six (6) years of age who have been diagnosed with lead poisoning or exposure; second-tier priority shall be given to residents with children from birth to six (6) years of age or pregnant individuals; and third-tier priority shall be given to applicants with children from birth to six (6) years of age who visit the home for at least six (6) hours per week; and

WHEREAS, ECHD has budgeted relocation funding assistance if necessary for

approximately 100 families from other funding sources and will have the responsibility of identifying alternate housing that may be affected if relocation is required utilizing HUD's occupancy standards and Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisitions policies Act of 1970 (42.USC.4601 and 49 CFR part 24).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LORAIN, STATE OF OHIO:

SECTION I: The Safety/Service Director of the City of Lorain, Ohio, is hereby authorized to enter into a Subrecipient Agreement with Erie County Health Department, in a form substantially similar to Exhibit A, attached hereto and made a part hereof by reference, and as approved by the Lorain Law Department.

SECTION II: That the cost of said agreement shall be in an amount not to exceed One Hundred Twenty-Five Thousand Six Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$125,650.00) and is contingent on compliance with other federal requirements, including environmental reviews, and funds shall be appropriated from the Block Grant Rehab Contractual Service Account #2260.R226.7130.6300.1500.

SECTION III: Said program shall provide financial assistance to address lead hazards in both owner-occupied and rental residential units in the City of Lorain, with funding not to exceed Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00) per unit.

SECTION IV: That it is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this Ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and any of its Committees that resulted in such formal actions were in meetings open to the public and in compliance with Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

SECTION V: That this Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure, the nature of which is the immediate need to comply with funding expenditure deadlines. Therefore, this Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor provided that it meets the statutory requirements for passage; otherwise, it shall take effect and be in effect and in force from and after the earliest date allowed by law.

Passed: _____, 2026

President of Council

Attested: _____, 2026

Approved: _____, 2026

Mayor