

**ORDINANCE NO. 20210610-091**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021 GENERAL FUND EMERGENCY RESERVE FUND (ORDINANCE NO. 20200812-001) TO APPROPRIATE AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$6,700,000 FOR THE RELIEF OF EMERGENCY NEEDS FOR TENANTS (RENT) RENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM TO SUPPORT COVID-19 EMERGENCY RELIEF; AND RELATING TO COORDINATING WITH TRAVIS COUNTY ON RENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS.**

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:**

**PART 1.** Council amends the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 General Fund Emergency Reserve Fund (Ordinance No. 20200812-001) to appropriate an amount not to exceed \$6,700,000 for the Relief of Emergency Needs for Tenants (RENT) Rental Assistance Program to support COVID-19 emergency relief.

**PART 2.** Council directs the City Manager to explore collaborating with Travis County to coordinate funding and applications between RENT and Travis County's Emergency Rental Assistance Program (ERAP).

**PART 3.** As part of the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 budget process, the City Manager may recommend returning any remaining funds to the General Fund Emergency Reserve Fund if the funds are no longer needed to prevent widespread eviction.

**PART 4.** To the extent feasible, Council directs the City Manager to use other available funds before using the funds appropriated in this ordinance. If additional funds are needed prior to the end of the calendar year, Council directs the City Manager to bring a budget amendment that would provide the funds necessary to prevent widespread eviction.

**PART 5.** This ordinance takes effect on June 21, 2021.

**PASSED AND APPROVED**

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June 10, 2021

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