

St. Louis City Ordinance 64357

FLOOR SUBSTITUTE

BOARD BILL NO. [97] 366

INTRODUCED BY ALDERMAN IRVING CLAY

WHEREAS, the City of St. Louis has been awarded a 1997 Lead-Based Paint Hazard Control in Privately-Owned Housing Grant from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development; and

WHEREAS, the LBP Grant will amount to the sum of Two Million Nine Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$2,900,000); and

WHEREAS, the City has identified certain needs as summarized in Exhibit A, and the City desires to appropriate the LBP Grant Funds for these needs;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF ST. LOUIS AS FOLLOWS:

Section One. There is hereby appropriated the sum of Two Million Nine Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$2,900,000) of LBP Grant Funds for the purposes described in Exhibit A incorporated herein by reference. The Director of Health and Hospitals and the Director of CDA, upon the approval of the CDC, is hereby authorized to make, negotiate and execute any and all contracts or other documents, on behalf of the City, which are necessary to carry out the LBP Grant Program and to expend said LBP Grant Funds for the purposes specified in Exhibit A hereto, and the Comptroller is authorized and directed to issue warrants upon the City Treasury for payment thereon.

Section Two. This being an ordinance necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety and providing for public works, an emergency is hereby declared to exist within the meaning of Section 20, Article IV, of the Charter and this ordinance shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor.

EXHIBIT A
SUMMARY:

The St. Louis Community Development Agency (◆CDA◆) has received a \$2,900,000 1997 Lead-Based Paint Hazard Control Grant (the ◆LBP Grant◆) from the Department of Housing and Urban Development (◆HUD◆), and CDA will obligate up to an additional \$3,200,000 in Community Development Block Grant

(◆CDBG◆) funds for non-lead related repairs as match to the LBP Grant as described herein. St. Louis has a 25 year history of screening and tracking childhood lead poisoning cases. The trend has been downward, but has leveled off in the period from 1993 to 1996. Of the cities reporting surveillance to the Centers for Disease Control, St. Louis is in the top ten for the number of children with elevated blood lead levels. This Grant will target 400 dwellings in neighborhoods with the highest rates of lead poisoned children. CDA will contract with the Department of Health and Hospitals (DHH) to test and identify 400 dwellings currently contaminated with lead paint. The goal is to prevent lead poisoning in unborn children by abating lead paint hazards in dwellings of lead poisoned children (300 dwellings) and by studying and documenting different methods for effectiveness and cost in the reduction of lead-based paint hazards for Section 3 eligible households in wards 3, 4, 5, 8, 9, 10,17 and 22.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

DHH will identify at least 400 families living in lead contaminated dwellings (300 prenatal and 100 actual lead poisoning cases of children under age 6 living in the above mentioned wards). DHH will inspect the dwelling for lead contamination, identify the areas of contamination, deliver a lead cleaning kit and teach the resident proper lead reduction cleaning techniques. DHH will also be responsible for obtaining periodic blood lead level tests of the participant and performing follow up inspections of the dwelling. CDA will also identify candidates and refer them to DHH for blood lead level screening. Community Health Centers participating in the selection process may include Forest Park Southeast, Grace Hill-Water Tower, Homer G. Philips and St. Louis Comprehensive. Participants will provide both obstetrical and pediatric services, will have aggressive case management and tracking systems and will be located in the service areas designated as high risk for lead poisoning. People◆s Health Center has agreed to serve as an alternate enrollment site. CDA will contract with DHH, Urban League or private contractors for the lead paint hazard abatement. All abatement will be performed by certified (state licensed) workers and contractors and will meet all HUD requirements.

FUNDING:

Funding for the in-home lead hazard abatement procedures will be made available by means of forgivable loans to Section 3 eligible owners of owner-occupied dwellings and deferred loans to owners of affordable housing buildings.

Legislative History

1ST READING	REF TO COMM	COMMITTEE	COMM SUB	COMM AMEND
02/27/98	02/27/98	H&H		
2ND READING	FLOOR AMEND	FLOOR SUB	PERFECTN	PASSAGE
03/06/98			03/13/98	03/20/98
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