



Motor City Match Contract Amendment

Executive Summary: proposed amendment to contract terms for DEGC ARPA-funded Motor City Match provides specialized services to 1) CVI participants and 2) over-assessed individuals, as well as 3) ensures prompt payment of funds committed to entrepreneurs. No change to total funding (\$15M) or term (expires 03/31/26).

1 Specialized Services to Community Violence Intervention (CVI) Participants:

- The City funds six community groups to provide CVI services to reduce gun violence in the hardest-hit neighborhoods. CVI groups work with people at risk of involvement in violence & help them find alternative paths, including for their careers
- Groups see *tremendous entrepreneurial potential* among participants, many of whom want to start a business or already operate one informally
- Amendment allows up to \$150k to be used for awards to CVI participants to start or expand a business through technical or financial assistance
- CVI groups will nominate promising individuals & DEGC will select 2+ awardees from this pool per quarter (limit of \$50k total) based on level of readiness & business plan. DEGC will set award amount & services to meet awardees where they are & provide structured, supportive path to reach their next business milestones.

2 Specialized Services to Over-Assessed Individuals:

- Amendment allows up to 20% increase in awards to businesses majority-owned by homeowners affected by over-assessment, where business has demonstrated need for additional services or financial assistance
- April 2023 “Resolution Recognizing Homeowners Affected By Property Tax Over-Assessment For Tax Years 2009 Through 2016” approved by City Council specifically proposed this contract amendment

3 Prompt Payment:

- Allows advance payments to DEGC, in CFO’s discretion, to ensure prompt payment of committed assistance to entrepreneurs and prevent any payment processing delays