Ordinance 2024-01(b)(P) Manager's Report

An Ordinance Appropriating up to \$500,000 to the Manager as a Grant to Gastineau Human Services for Expanding Residential Substance Use Disorder Beds; Funding Provided by General Funds.

This ordinance would appropriate up to \$500,000 of general funds as a grant to Gastineau Human Services (GHS) for expanding residential substance use disorder beds. These expanded services, anticipated to go into effect on January 6, 2025, are part of a plan to transition 3.1 level of care from Bartlett Regional Hospital's Rainforest Recovery Center (RRC) that closed on September 24, 2024 due to operational financial deficits. This one-time funding is intended to assist GHS with initial startup costs associated with transition of care from RRC.

The Assembly Finance Committee reviewed this request at the September 18, 2024 meeting.