

## EMERGENCY

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**- 2021**

**AUTHORIZING** the transfer and appropriation of \$740,000 from the unappropriated surplus of the General Fund to the City Manager's Office General Fund non-personnel operating budget account no. 050x101x7300 for the purpose of providing funds for supplies and materials necessary to help prevent the spread of the coronavirus known as COVID-19.

WHEREAS, COVID-19 poses a health risk to the City of Cincinnati; and

WHEREAS, City Council passed Ordinance No. 0081-2020 on March 11, 2020, Ordinance No. 0094-2020 on March 20, 2020, and Ordinance No. 0110-2020 on April 1, 2020, each of which authorized the transfer and appropriation of a total of \$5,000,000 for supplies and materials necessary to help prevent the spread of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, funds in the amount of \$740,000 remained encumbered, however the prior year encumbrances were cancelled in early Fiscal Year 2022 due to the City's change in purchasing card vendors, resulting in those funds being returned to the unappropriated surplus of the General Fund; and

WHEREAS, the amount of \$740,000 is now available in the fund balance of the General Fund; and

WHEREAS, due to a spike in COVID-19 cases, these funds need to be made available for various City departments to use to acquire additional medical and safety supplies to be used by first responders and other City employees who may be exposed to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, re-appropriating these funds is required in order to make them available for the acquisition of additional medical and safety supplies; now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Cincinnati, State of Ohio:

Section 1. That the sum of \$740,000 is hereby transferred and appropriated from the unappropriated surplus of the General Fund to the City Manager's Office General Fund non-personnel operating budget account no. 050x101x7300 for the purpose of providing funds for supplies and materials necessary to help prevent the spread of the coronavirus known as COVID-19.

Section 2. That the proper City officials are hereby authorized to do all things necessary and proper to implement the provisions of Section 1 of this ordinance.

Section 3. That this ordinance shall be an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, safety, and general welfare and shall, subject to the terms of Article II, Section 6 of the Charter, be effective immediately. The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to accomplish the authorized transfer and appropriation so that funding is in place to purchase supplies to help prevent the spread of COVID-19.

Passed: \_\_\_\_\_, 2021

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John Cranley, Mayor

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk