

EMERGENCY

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AUTHORIZING the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate grant resources of up to \$25,000 from the Greater Cincinnati Foundation to the Office of Environment and Sustainability General Fund non-personnel operating budget account no. 050x104x7400 to provide resources to support the City’s Urban Agriculture Program; and **AUTHORIZING** the Director of Finance to deposit the grant funds into General Fund revenue account no. 050x8571.

WHEREAS, a grant of up to \$25,000 is available from the Greater Cincinnati Foundation to provide resources to support the City’s Urban Agriculture Program; and

WHEREAS, on April 12, 2023, Council adopted the 2023 Green Cincinnati Plan as the comprehensive climate action plan for the City of Cincinnati in Resolution No. 37-2023; and

WHEREAS, the Urban Agriculture Program supports the goals to “[i]ncrease local food consumption, distribution, and production by 100%,” “[e]liminate food deserts in Cincinnati and create food sovereignty in all 52 neighborhoods,” and [i]ncrease quantity of jobs in food and agriculture sectors by 20% by 2028,” as described on pages 100 – 103 and 108 – 109 of the Green Cincinnati Plan (2023); and

WHEREAS, the City already has applied for the grant, but no grant funds will be accepted without approval by Council; and

WHEREAS, this grant requires no matching funds, and there are no new FTEs/full time equivalents associated with this grant; and

WHEREAS, accepting the Greater Cincinnati Foundation grant to support the Urban Agriculture Program is in accordance with the “Sustain” goal to “[b]ecome a healthier Cincinnati” and strategy to “[c]reate a healthy environment and reduce energy consumption” as described on pages 181-186 of Plan Cincinnati (2012); now, therefore,

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

Section 1. That the City Manager is authorized to apply for, accept, and appropriate grant resources of up to \$25,000 from the Greater Cincinnati Foundation to the Office of Environment and Sustainability General Fund non-personnel operating budget account no. 050x104x7400 to provide resources to support the City’s Urban Agriculture Program.

Section 2. That the Director of Finance is authorized to deposit the grant funds into General Fund revenue account no. 050x8571.

Section 3. That the proper City officials are authorized to do all things necessary and proper to carry out the terms of the grant and Sections 1 and 2.

Section 4. 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 accept grant resources in a timely manner.

Passed: _____, 2024

Aftab Pureval, Mayor

Attest: _____
Clerk