



EMERGENCY

City of Cincinnati

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An Ordinance No. 120

- 2026

**AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to accept a grant of up to \$2,500 from the Cincinnati Parks Foundation to cover expenses incurred during the production of the annual Let's Grow Local event held on October 28, 2025; and **AUTHORIZING** the Director of Finance to deposit the grant funds into Parks Miscellaneous Revenue and Special Activity Fund revenue account no. 326x8571.

WHEREAS, Let's Grow Local is a community initiative led by Cincinnati Parks in partnership with MadTree Brewing, the Cincinnati Parks Foundation, and other community partners; and

WHEREAS, the Let's Grow Local initiative aims to unite the community by planting trees, improving public spaces, and investing in the long-term health of neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, during the volunteer event on October 28, 2025, Let's Grow Local planted over 140 new trees throughout the West End and completed projects to improve public spaces; and

WHEREAS, the grant was accepted by the Cincinnati Park Board at its regular meeting on November 20, 2025; and

WHEREAS, this grant does not require matching funds, and there are no new FTEs/full time equivalents associated with this grant; and

WHEREAS, planting trees, improving public spaces, and investing in the long-term health of neighborhoods is in accordance with the "Collaborate" goal to "[w]ork in synergy with the Cincinnati community" and strategy to "[u]nite our communities" as described on pages 209-211 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 accept a grant of up to \$2,500 from the Cincinnati Parks Foundation to cover expenses incurred during the production of the annual Let's Grow Local event held on October 28, 2025.

Section 2. That the Director of Finance is authorized to deposit the grant funds into Parks Miscellaneous Revenue and Special Activity Fund revenue account no. 326x8571.

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.

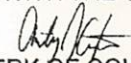
Section 4. That this ordinance shall be an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, safety, and general welfare and shall, subject to the terms of Article II, Section 6 of the Charter, be effective immediately. The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to accept the grant resources in a timely manner and reimburse Cincinnati Parks for expenses already incurred before the end of the fiscal year.

Passed: April 29, 2026

Jan. Michele Lemon Kearney  
VICE Mayor

Attest:   
Clerk

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT ORDINANCE NO 120-2024  
WAS PUBLISHED IN THE CITY BULLETIN  
IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CHARTER ON 5/12/2024

  
CLERK OF COUNCIL