

March 25, 2026

To: Mayor and Members of City Council

From: Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager 202601129

Subject: Emergency Ordinance – Amending Administrative Code Sections for the Creation of the Office of Strategic Growth and the Department of Opportunity and Resident Services

Attached is an Emergency Ordinance captioned:

MODIFYING Article II of the Administrative Code of the City of Cincinnati by **ORDAINING** new Section 27, “Office of Strategic Growth,” **AMENDING** Section 11, “Assistant and Acting City Manager, and **REPEALING** Section 24, “Office of Opportunity”; **ORDAINING** new Article XXIV, “Department of Opportunity and Resident Services,” of the Administrative Code; and **REPEALING** Article XXIV, “Department of Community and Economic Development,” of the Administrative Code.

This ordinance is being introduced to effectuate the creation of the Office of Strategic Growth and the Department of Opportunity and Resident Services, pursuant to the direction provided by Council in Item 202600232 and passed unanimously on February 4, 2026.

The ordinance amends the Administrative Code provisions to create the new business units, clarifies responsibilities within the new structure, and removes language related to the Department of Community and Economic Development and outdated language related to assignment responsibilities of the Assistant City Managers.

The Administration recommends passage of this ordinance.

Cc: William “Billy” Weber, Assistant City Manager