

June 7, 2023

To: Mayor and Members of City Council

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From: Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager

Subject: Ordinance – DOTE: Streetcar OTP2 Grant Application

Attached is an Ordinance captioned:

AUTHORIZING the City Manager to apply for grant resources of up to \$4,291,000 from the Ohio Transit Partnership Program, awarded by the Ohio Department of Transportation, to provide resources for preventative maintenance, equipment, and facility and technology upgrades for the streetcar system.

Approval of this Ordinance would authorize the City Manager to apply for grant resources of up to \$4,291,000 from the Ohio Transit Partnership Program (OTP2), awarded by the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT), to provide resources for preventative maintenance, equipment, and facility and technology upgrades for the streetcar system.

The City intends to apply for the OTP2 grant by the application deadline of June 2, 2023, but no grant funds will be accepted without approval by the City Council. The grant does not require local matching resources. However, the Department of Transportation and Engineering (DOTE) intends to apply for the grant with a 1.5% local match offer, totaling up to \$64,365, to improve the City's competitive advantage. Matching resources may come from existing and future capital improvement program project accounts. There are no new FTEs/full time equivalents associated with this grant.

This grant application is in accordance with the "Connect" goal to "[d]evelop an efficient multi-modal transportation system that supports neighborhood livability," and strategy to "[p]lan, design, and implement a safe and sustainable transportation system," as described on pages 129-138 of Plan Cincinnati (2012).

The Administration recommends passage of this Ordinance.

cc: Andrew M. Dudas, Budget Director
Karen Alder, Finance Director



Attachment