

April 3, 2024

To: Mayor and Members of City Council

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From: Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager

**Subject: Emergency Ordinance – DOTE: Urban Transit Program (UTP)
Grant for Streetcar System**

Attached is an Emergency Ordinance captioned:

AUTHORIZING the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant of up to \$35,395 from the Ohio Urban Transit Program awarded by the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) to the Streetcar Operations Fund non-personnel operating budget account no. 455x236x7200 to provide funds for preventative maintenance on the streetcar system; and **AUTHORIZING** the Director of Finance to deposit the grant funds into Streetcar Operations Fund 455 revenue account no. 455x8534.

This Emergency Ordinance authorizes the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant of up to \$35,395 from the Ohio Urban Transit Program awarded by the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) to the Streetcar Operations Fund non-personnel operating budget account no. 455x236x7200 to provide resources for preventative maintenance on the streetcar system. This Emergency Ordinance also authorizes the Director of Finance to deposit the grant funds into Streetcar Operations Fund 455 revenue account no. 455x8534.

The City already applied for the grant and was awarded up to \$35,395 for preventative maintenance on the streetcar system, but no grant funds will be accepted without approval by the City Council. Acceptance of this grant requires no matching funds, and no new permanent FTEs/full time equivalents are associated with the acceptance of this grant.

Utilizing Ohio UTP resources to support the Connector streetcar is in accordance with the “Connect” goal to “[d]evelop an efficient multi-modal transportation system that supports neighborhood livability” as described on page 129 of Plan Cincinnati (2012).

The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to accept and expend grant funds within the current fiscal year.

The Administration recommends passage of this Emergency Ordinance.

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

Attachment

