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AUTHORIZING the establishment of new capital improvement program project account no. 980x164x251624, "Shillito's West Remediation – ODOD Grant," to provide additional asbestos abatement to real property located at 137 W. Seventh Street in the Central Business District of Cincinnati; and **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant of up to \$1,063,080 from the Ohio Department of Development through the Hamilton County Land Reutilization Corporation and the Port of Greater Cincinnati Development Authority to newly established capital improvement program project account no. 980x164x251624, "Shillito's West Remediation – ODOD Grant," to provide additional asbestos abatement to real property located at 137 W. Seventh Street in the Central Business District of Cincinnati.

WHEREAS, the Shillito's West building is a City-owned property located at 137 W. Seventh Street in the Central Business District of Cincinnati; and

WHEREAS, a 2019 asbestos survey identified extensive quantities of asbestos throughout the Shillito's West building, including but not limited to, the drywall joint compound, floor mastic, floor tiles, pipe insulation, duct seam tape, and window glazing; and

WHEREAS, this property previously received Ohio Department of Development ("ODOD") grant funding for asbestos remediation, and the asbestos abatement work was completed in 2023; and

WHEREAS, a recent inspection of the property found additional asbestos-containing material in the thermal system insulation pipe, floor tile and mastic, ceiling panels, and other areas, necessitating additional efforts to abate all remaining asbestos-containing materials; and

WHEREAS, the Hamilton County Land Reutilization Corporation and the Port of Greater Cincinnati Development Authority (collectively "the Port") have been awarded a \$1,063,080 grant from ODOD for the Shillito's West asbestos remediation project; and

WHEREAS, the City intends to enter into a subrecipient agreement with the Port to implement the remediation project and provide \$354,393 in matching funds, which includes \$170,231 of prior eligible expenses and \$184,162 of newly committed funding from existing capital improvement program project account no. 980x164x231610, "Commercial & Industrial Public Improvements," and slightly exceeds the 25 percent match amount required by ODOD; and

WHEREAS, there are no new FTE/full time equivalents associated with this grant; and

WHEREAS, securing grant funding for the Shillito's West asbestos remediation project is in accordance with the "Compete" goal to "[f]oster a climate conducive to growth, investment, stability, and opportunity" as described on page 103 of Plan Cincinnati (2012); now, therefore,

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

Section 1. That the establishment of new capital improvement program project account no. 980x164x251624, "Shillito's West Remediation – ODOD Grant," is authorized to provide additional asbestos abatement to real property located at 137 W. Seventh Street in the Central Business District of Cincinnati.

Section 2. That the City Manager is authorized to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant of up to \$1,063,080 from the Ohio Department of Development through the Hamilton County Land Reutilization Corporation and the Port of Greater Cincinnati Development Authority to newly established capital improvement program project account no. 980x164x251624, "Shillito's West Remediation – ODOD Grant," to provide additional asbestos abatement to real property located at 137 W. Seventh Street in the Central Business District of Cincinnati.

Section 3. That the proper City officials are authorized to take all necessary action 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 meet established grant deadlines.

Passed:_____, 2025

Aftab Pureval, Mayor

Attest:

Clerk