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An Ordinance No. 240

- 2026

**ESTABLISHING** permanent improvement program project account nos. 980x101x271037, “Gun Violence Memorial,” to provide resources for the design, fabrication, and installation of a Gun Violence Memorial; 980x101x271038, “Sports Commission Facility Improvements,” to provide resources for improvements necessary to advance the goals of the Cincinnati Sports Commission; 980x161x271642, “Artsville Improvements,” to provide resources for permanent improvements to the city-owned building located at 5021 Whetsel Avenue in the Madisonville neighborhood; 980x161x271643, “Covedale Performing Arts Center,” to provide resources for permanent improvements to the Covedale Performing Arts Center located at 4990 Glenway Avenue in the West Price Hill neighborhood; and 980x255x272513, “Union Baptist Cemetery Mausoleum,” to provide resources for stabilization of the roof of the cemetery mausoleum; **ESTABLISHING** capital improvement program project account nos. 980x199x271911, “Track and Multi-Use Field Improvements,” to provide resources to acquire, plan, design, and construct an all-weather multi-purpose track and field at a Cincinnati Recreation Commission facility; and 980x232x272371, “Wasson Way Trail Phase 8,” to provide resources to plan, design, construct, and inspect phase 8 of the Wasson Way Trail, a shared-use path for bicycles and pedestrians; **AUTHORIZING** the transfer and return to source of \$59,000 from existing capital improvement program project account no. 980x203x252038, “Mt. Airy Trails Expansion – GF” to the unappropriated surplus of the General Fund to realign sources with uses; **AUTHORIZING** the transfer and appropriation of \$59,000 from the unappropriated surplus of Income Tax Permanent Improvement Fund 758 to existing capital improvement program project account no. 980x203x222008, “Mt. Airy Trails Expansion,” to realign sources with uses; **AUTHORIZING** the transfer and appropriation of \$2,241,000 from the unappropriated surplus of various funds to new or existing capital or permanent improvement program project accounts to provide resources for certain capital or permanent improvement program project accounts, according to Schedule A of the attached Schedules of Transfer; **AUTHORIZING** the transfer of \$1,014,575 from General Fund balance sheet reserve account no. 050x3422, “Discretionary Reserve,” to the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050; **AUTHORIZING** the transfer of \$10,000 from General Fund balance sheet reserve account no. 050x2535, “Reserve for Operating Budget Contingencies,” to the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050; **AUTHORIZING** the transfer of \$15,000 from General Fund balance sheet reserve account no. 050x2581, “Reserve for Special Events Support,” to the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050; **AUTHORIZING** the transfer of \$806,417 from General Fund balance sheet reserve account no. 050x2582, “Housing and Economic Development Capital Project Reserve,” to the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050; **AUTHORIZING** the transfer and appropriation of \$2,716,417 within the General Fund, from and to various operating budget accounts and the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050 in accordance with Schedule B of the attached Schedules of Transfer; **AUTHORIZING** \$855,070 in existing Human Services Fund Impact Award category resources be reallocated in the amounts of \$450,000 to waive Cincinnati Recreation Commission Summer Camp fees, \$305,070 for ACT for Cincy, \$50,000 for the St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry, and \$50,000 for the Whitney/Strong Organization, with all allocations found to be permissible uses of FY 2027 Impact Award funding under the Impact Award category established in FY 2026 to support the City’s broader gun violence prevention program; **AUTHORIZING** the transfer and appropriation of \$500,000 from

the unappropriated surplus of Stormwater Management Fund 107 to Stormwater Management Utility non-personnel operating budget account no. 107x311x7200 to provide resources for mitigating stormwater in high runoff areas; **AUTHORIZING** the transfer and appropriation of \$300,000 from the unappropriated surplus of Sawyer Point Fund 318 to Cincinnati Parks Department non-personnel operating budget account no. 318x202x7200 to provide resources for an engineering study of the Purple People Bridge; **REPEALING** Section 9 of Ordinance No. ~~224~~-2026, the City Manager's General Fund FY 2027 Operating Budget Update, to strike the planning and zoning fee updates; and **DECLARING** certain projects and expenditures to be for a public purpose, all to carry out the FY 2027 Budget Update.

WHEREAS, Motion #202602311, amended and approved on June 15, 2026, provided for a majority of Council's recommended changes to the City Manager's Recommended FY 2027 Budget Update; and

WHEREAS, the establishment of various permanent and capital improvement program project accounts are necessary to accomplish Council's recommended changes to the City Manager's Recommended FY 2027 Budget Update; and

WHEREAS, funding for a certain existing General Capital budget project account is being decreased, which is offset by an increase in the same amount to a comparable existing project account to realign sources with uses, and to ultimately provide resources for Council's recommended changes to the City Manager's Recommended FY 2027 Budget Update; and

WHEREAS, Council's changes to the City Manager's Recommended FY 2027 Budget Update include the transfer and appropriation of \$2,241,000 from the unappropriated surplus of various funds to new or existing capital or permanent improvement program project accounts as indicated in Schedule A; and

WHEREAS, Council's changes to the City Manager's Recommended FY 2027 Budget Update include reallocating \$1,276,495 in existing FY 2027 General Fund resources including non-personnel funding from the Office of Strategic Growth, increasing Cincinnati Recreation Commission aquatics reimbursements from Armleder Fund 444, and reallocating \$855,070 from the FY 2027 Human Services Fund Impact Award; and

WHEREAS, Council finds the allocation of \$855,070 in existing Human Services Fund Impact Award category resources to waive Cincinnati Recreation Commission Summer Camp fees, for ACT for Cincy, for the St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry, and for the Whitney/Strong Organization to be permissible uses of FY 2027 Impact Award funding under the Impact Award category established in FY 2026 to support the City's broader gun violence prevention program; and

WHEREAS, Council's reallocation of existing FY 2027 General Fund resources provides \$871,425 in transfers within appropriations, including \$421,425 for leveraged support to be allocated in FY 2027 and \$450,000 to waive Cincinnati Recreation Commission Summer Camp fees in 2027; and

WHEREAS, Council's changes to the City Manager's Recommended FY 2027 Budget Update include returning \$60,000 in General Fund resources due to the repealing of the planning and zoning fee updates and the elimination of associated revenue; and

WHEREAS, Council's changes consist in part of supplemental appropriation changes of \$1,844,992, including \$306,417 for lead abatement; \$15,000 for Westwood Town Hall Events; \$252,000 for the Safe and Clean program; \$252,000 for the Boots on the Ground program; \$162,000 for CincyTech; \$162,000 for Cintrifuse; \$65,000 for Invest in Neighborhoods; \$35,000 for MORTAR; \$17,000 for Neighborhood Support; \$78,575 for leveraged support to be allocated in FY 2027; and \$500,000 for housing repair services; and

WHEREAS, Council's changes to the City Manager's Recommended FY 2027 Budget Update include a supplemental appropriation of \$500,000 from the Stormwater Management Fund to the Stormwater Management Utility to mitigate stormwater in high runoff areas; and

WHEREAS, Council's changes to the City Manager's Recommended FY 2027 Budget Update include a supplemental appropriation of \$300,000 from the Sawyer Point Fund to the Cincinnati Parks Department for an engineering study of the Purple People Bridge; and

WHEREAS, passage of this ordinance will transfer resources and authorize expenditures for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026, and ending June 30, 2027, pursuant to Council's recommended changes to the FY 2027 Budget Update; now, therefore,

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

Section 1. That the Director of Finance is authorized to establish permanent improvement program project account nos. 980x101x271037, "Gun Violence Memorial," to provide resources for the design, fabrication, and installation of a Gun Violence Memorial; 980x101x271038, "Sports Commission Facility Improvements," to provide resources for improvements necessary to advance the goals of the Cincinnati Sports Commission; 980x161x271642, "Artsville Improvements," to provide resources for permanent improvements to the city-owned building located at 5021 Whetsel Avenue in the Madisonville neighborhood; 980x161x271643, "Covedale Performing Arts Center," to provide resources for permanent improvements to the Covedale Performing Arts Center located at 4990 Glenway Avenue in the West Price Hill neighborhood; and 980x255x272513, "Union Baptist Cemetery Mausoleum," to provide resources for stabilization of the roof of the mausoleum at the Union Baptist Cemetery.

Section 2. That the Director of Finance is authorized to establish capital improvement program project account nos. 980x199x271911, "Track and Multi-Use Field Improvements," to provide resources to acquire, plan, design, and construct an all-weather multi-purpose track and field at a Cincinnati Recreation Commission facility; and 980x232x272371, "Wasson Way Trail Phase 8," to provide resources to plan, design, construct, and inspect phase 8 of the Wasson Way Trail, a shared-use path for bicycles and pedestrians.

Section 3. That the transfer and return to source of \$59,000 from existing capital improvement program project account no. 980x203x252038, "Mt. Airy Trails Expansion – GF," to the unappropriated surplus of the General Fund is authorized to realign sources with uses.

Section 4. That the transfer and appropriation of \$59,000 from the unappropriated surplus of Income Tax Permanent Improvement Fund 758 to existing capital improvement program project account no. 980x203x222008, "Mt. Airy Trails Expansion," is authorized to realign sources with uses.

Section 5. That \$2,241,00 is transferred and appropriated from the unappropriated surplus of various funds to new or existing capital or permanent improvement program project accounts according to Schedule A of the attached Schedule of Transfer to implement Council's changes to the FY 2027 Capital Budget Update.

Section 6. That \$1,014,575 is transferred from General Fund balance sheet reserve account no. 050x3422, "Discretionary Reserve," to the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050.

Section 7. That \$10,000 is transferred from General Fund balance sheet reserve account no. 050x2535 "Reserve for Operating Budget Contingencies," to the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050.

Section 8. That \$15,000 is transferred from General Fund balance sheet reserve account no. 050x2581, "Reserve for Special Events Support," to the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050.

Section 9. That \$806,417 is transferred from General Fund balance sheet reserve account no. 050x2582, "Housing and Economic Development Capital Project Reserve," to the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050.

Section 10. That \$2,716,417 is transferred and appropriated within the General Fund, from and to various operating budget accounts and the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050 in accordance with Schedule B of the attached Schedules of Transfer.

Section 11. That \$855,070 in existing FY 2027 Human Services Fund Impact Award category resources are reallocated in the amounts of \$450,000 for waiving Cincinnati Recreation Summer Camp fees, \$305,070 for ACT for Cincy, \$50,000 for the St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry, and \$50,000 for the Whitney/Strong Organization, with all allocations found to be permissible uses of FY 2027 Impact Award funding under the Impact Award category established in FY 2026 to support the City's broader gun violence prevention program.

Section 12. That \$500,000 is transferred and appropriated from the unappropriated surplus of Stormwater Management Fund 107 to Stormwater Management Utility non-personnel operating budget account no. 107x311x7200 to provide resources for mitigating stormwater in high runoff areas.

Section 13. That \$300,000 is transferred and appropriated from the unappropriated surplus of Sawyer Point Fund 318 to Cincinnati Parks Department non-personnel operating budget account no. 318x202x7200 to provide resources for an engineering study of the Purple People Bridge.

Section 14. That Section 9 of Ordinance No. 711-2026, the City Manager's General Fund FY 2027 Budget Update, is repealed.

Section 15. That Council declares that the expenditures from the following permanent improvement program project accounts serve a public purpose because the projects will foster local improvements and investment and increase neighborhood vitality: Gun Violence Memorial, Sports Commission Facility Improvements, Artsville Improvements, Covedale Performing Arts Center, and Union Baptist Cemetery Mausoleum.

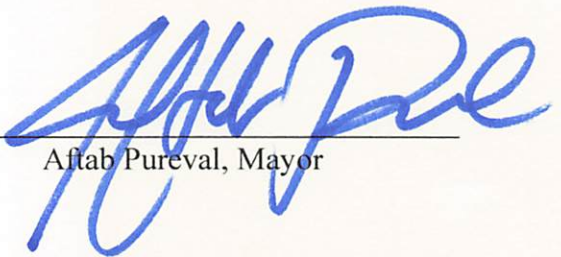
Section 16. That the proper City officials are authorized to do all things necessary and proper to carry out the terms of Sections 1 through 15 and the attached Schedules of Transfer.

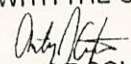
Section 17. That the effective date of this ordinance shall be July 1, 2026.

Section 18. 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 need to ensure that necessary funding is in place prior to the beginning of FY 2027, which begins on July 1, 2026.

Passed: June 17, 2026

Attest:   
Clerk

  
Aftab Pureval, Mayor

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT ORDINANCE NO 240-2024  
WAS PUBLISHED IN THE CITY BULLETIN  
IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CHARTER ON 4/30/2024  
  
CLERK OF COUNCIL