



# City of Cincinnati

## Budget and Finance Committee

### Meeting Minutes

Chairperson Reggie Harris  
Vice Chair Jeff Cramerding  
Councilmember Mark Jeffreys  
Councilmember Scotty Johnson  
Vice Mayor Jan-Michele Kearney  
Councilmember Liz Keating  
Councilmember Meeka Owens  
Councilmember Seth Walsh  
President Pro Tem Victoria Parks

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**Monday, June 5, 2023**

**1:00 PM**

**Council Chambers, Room 300**

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#### ROLL CALL

Seth Walsh  
Jan-Michele Kearney  
Liz Keating  
Councilmember Jeff Cramerding  
Mark Jeffreys  
Scotty Johnson  
Meeka Owens  
Victoria Parks  
Councilmember Harris

Also in attendance were Dr. Andrew Dudas, Budget Director, Karen Alder, Finance Director and Erica Faaborg, Deputy Solicitor.

#### **PRESENTATIONS**

##### **Income Tax Forecast**

##### **UC Economics Center**

##### **Cities for Financial Empowerment- Research Report**

**Virginia Tallent, ACM**

**Sarah Mostafa, OPDA**

**Monica People, OPDA**

#### **AGENDA**

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**COMMUNITY REINVESTMENT AREA AGREEMENTS**

1. ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY) submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 6/1/2023, APPROVING, AND AUTHORIZING the City Manager to execute a Community Reinvestment Area Tax Exemption Agreement with Cincinnati Northside Community Urban Redevelopment Corporation and the Port of Greater Cincinnati Development Authority, thereby authorizing a fifteen-year tax exemption for 100 percent of the value of improvements made to real property located at 4024 Hamilton Avenue in the Northside neighborhood of Cincinnati, in connection with the remodeling of an existing building into approximately 5,100 square feet of commercial space, at a total construction cost of approximately \$1,202,560.

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**TRANSFERS AND APPROPRIATIONS**

2. ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY) submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 6/1/2023, AUTHORIZING the transfer of the sum of \$14,449.85 within the General Fund, from various non-personnel operating budget accounts and to various personnel operating budget accounts according to the attached Schedule of Transfer, for the purpose of realigning the office budgets of various City Councilmembers.

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3. ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY), submitted by Councilmember Johnson, from Emily Smart Woerner, City Solicitor, AUTHORIZING the transfer and return to source of \$18,500 from Councilmember Johnson's General Fund personnel services operating budget account no. 050x023x7100 to the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050; AUTHORIZING the transfer of \$8,250 from the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050 to the unappropriated surplus of Recreation Special Activities Fund 323; AUTHORIZING the transfer and appropriation of \$8,250 from the unappropriated surplus of Recreation Special Activities Fund 323 to Cincinnati Recreation Commission ("CRC") non-personnel operating budget account no. 323x199x7200 to provide resources for CRC

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programming and for CRC senior programming; AUTHORIZING the transfer of \$5,250 from the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050 to the unappropriated surplus of Cincinnati Health District Fund 416; AUTHORIZING the transfer and appropriation of \$5,250 from the unappropriated surplus of Cincinnati Health District Fund 416 to Cincinnati Health Department non-personnel operating budget account no. 416x266x7200 to provide resources for the children's dental program; and AUTHORIZING the transfer of \$5,000 from the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050 to the unappropriated surplus of Affordable Housing Trust Fund 439 to provide resources for affordable housing initiatives.

Recommend Passage Emergency

4. ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY), submitted by Councilmember Parks, from Emily Smart Woerner, City Solicitor, AUTHORIZING the transfer and return to source of \$26,300 from President Pro Tem Parks General Fund personnel services operating budget account no. 050x027x7100 and \$2,700 from President Pro Tem Parks General Fund non-personnel services operating budget account no. 050x027x7200 to the General Fund 050 unappropriated surplus; and AUTHORIZING the transfer of \$29,000 from the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050 to the unappropriated surplus of Special Events Fund 314 for the purpose of providing resources for upcoming Girls in Government programming.

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### **GRANTS AND DONATIONS**

5. ORDINANCE submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 6/1/2023, AUTHORIZING the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a Fiscal Year 2023 State Homeland Security Program Grant ("FY23 SHSP Grant") (ALN 97.067) from the United States Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency, administered by the State of Ohio Department of Public Safety, Ohio Emergency Management Agency, of up to \$260,000 to enhance and sustain the Greater Cincinnati Fusion Center; and AUTHORIZING the Director of Finance to deposit FY23 SHSP Grant funds into Law Enforcement

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Grant Fund 368, project account no. 23SHSP.

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6. ORDINANCE submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 6/1/2023, AUTHORIZING the City Manager to apply for in FY 2023, and accept and appropriate a grant of up to \$42,000, effective FY 2024, from the State of Ohio, Office of the Attorney General, State Victims Assistance Act and the federal Victims of Crime Act grant programs for the purpose of providing funds for the Cincinnati Police Department Homicide Unit's Victim Advocate; and AUTHORIZING the Director of Finance to deposit the grant funds into Law Enforcement Grant Fund 368, project account no. 24VALU.

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7. ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY) submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 6/1/2023, AUTHORIZING the City Manager to accept a donation of up to \$750,000 from Cincinnati, LLC, to support the operations and maintenance of the Cincinnati streetcar; AUTHORIZING the Director of Finance to deposit the donation into Streetcar Operations Fund revenue account no. 455x8645.

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### **PAYMENTS**

8. ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY) submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 6/1/2023, AUTHORIZING a payment of \$17,411 from Cincinnati Health Department Community Health Center Activities Fund non-personnel operating budget account no. 395x265x3520x7297 to Cross Country Staffing as a moral obligation of the City of Cincinnati for providing a temporary clinical pharmacist to the Cincinnati Health Department.

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### **PROPERTY SALE AGREEMENTS**

9. ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY) submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 6/1/2023, AUTHORIZING the City Manager to execute a Property Sale Agreement with PLK Cooper, LLC, and Vandalia Point, LLC, pursuant to which the City will vacate and convey a portion of certain real

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property designated as public right-of-way known as Vandalia Avenue in the Northside neighborhood of Cincinnati.

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### **EASEMENTS**

10. ORDINANCE submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 6/1/2023, ACCEPTING AND CONFIRMING the grant of a public utility easement in favor of the City of Cincinnati for storm sewer lines and related fixtures, equipment, and appurtenances through certain real property generally located at 4945 Kirby Avenue in the City of Cincinnati in accordance with the plat entitled 4929 Kirby Avenue Permanent Easement, as recorded in Plat Book 496, Page 94, Hamilton County, Ohio Recorder's Office.

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### **URBAN FORESTRY ASSESSMENT**

11. ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY) submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 6/1/2023, DETERMINING to proceed with a special assessment for the Urban Forestry Program for the calendar year 2024 for the control of blight and disease of shade trees and for planting, maintaining, trimming, and removing shade trees in the public-right-of-way in the City of Cincinnati's Urban Forestry Maintenance District.

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12. ORDINANCE submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 6/1/2023, LEVYING a special assessment for the Urban Forestry Program for the calendar year 2024 for control of blight and disease of shade trees and for planting, maintaining, trimming, and removing shade trees within the public-right-of-way in the City of Cincinnati's Urban Forestry Maintenance District.

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### **PRESENTATIONS**

13. PRESENTATION submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, dated 6/5/2023, regarding the UC Economics Center Income Tax Forecast.

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14. PRESENTATION submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, dated 6/5/2023, regarding City of Cincinnati Financial Freedom Research Briefing.

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