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An Ordinance No. _____

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ESTABLISHING new capital improvement program project account no. 980x164x211649, “Avondale Town Center Improvements,” for the purpose of providing resources to facilitate tenant improvements at Avondale Town Center, including the Avondale grocery store and the Urban League Social Justice Center; and **AUTHORIZING** the transfer and return to source of the sum of \$500,619.20 from capital improvement program project account no. 980x164x181650, “Avondale Infrastructure & Streetscape Improvements,” to the unappropriated surplus of Miscellaneous Permanent Improvement Fund 757; and **AUTHORIZING** the transfer and appropriation of the sum of \$500,000 from the unappropriated surplus of Miscellaneous Permanent Improvement Fund 757 to newly established capital improvement program project account no. 980x164x211649, “Avondale Town Center Improvements,” for tenant improvements at Avondale Town Center, including improvements for the Avondale grocery store and the Urban League Social Justice Center; and **DECLARING** expenditures from capital improvement program project account no. 980x164x211649, “Avondale Town Center Improvements,” to be for a public purpose because the project will facilitate development of the Avondale Town Center and provide suitable space for the Urban League Social Justice Center and the Avondale grocery store.

WHEREAS, on September 2, 2020, City Council adopted Council Motion #202001164 which committed \$500,000 from the City Operating or Capital Budget to help promote the Avondale grocery store project; and

WHEREAS, the Urban League Social Justice Center will share a significant portion of the space originally designated for the Avondale grocery store, and intends to occupy its portion of the space in fall 2021; and

WHEREAS, the shared tenant arrangement with the Urban League Social Justice Center will allow the grocery store to operate with a smaller, more sustainable footprint while still addressing the community’s critical need for a grocery store; and

WHEREAS, returning the remaining balance of \$619.20 from capital improvement program project account no. 980x164x181650, “Avondale Infrastructure & Streetscape Improvements,” to source, the unappropriated surplus of Miscellaneous Permanent Improvement Fund 757, will allow for the closure of the account in accordance with accounting best practices; and

WHEREAS, this project is in accordance with the “Compete” strategy to “Foster a climate conducive to growth, investment, stability, and opportunity” as described on pages 103-113 of Plan Cincinnati (2012); now, therefore,

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

Section 1. That new capital improvement program project account no. 980x164x211649, “Avondale Town Center Improvements,” is hereby established for the purpose of providing resources to facilitate tenant improvements at Avondale Town Center, including the Avondale grocery store and the Urban League Social Justice Center.

Section 2. That the sum of \$500,619.20 is hereby transferred and returned to source, the unappropriated surplus of Miscellaneous Permanent Improvement Fund 757, from capital improvement program project account no. 980x164x181650, “Avondale Infrastructure & Streetscape Improvements.”

Section 3. That the sum \$500,000 is hereby transferred and appropriated from the unappropriated surplus of Miscellaneous Permanent Improvement Fund 757 to newly established capital improvement program project account no. 980x164x211649, “Avondale Town Center Improvements,” for tenant improvements at Avondale Town Center, including improvements for the Avondale grocery store and the Urban League Social Justice Center.

Section 4. That expenditures from capital improvement program project account no. 980x164x211649, “Avondale Town Center Improvements,” are hereby declared to be for a public purpose because the project will facilitate development of the Avondale Town Center, providing suitable space for the Urban League Social Justice Center and the Avondale grocery store.

Section 5. That the proper City officials are hereby authorized to do all things necessary and proper to implement the provisions of Sections 1 through 4 hereof.

Section 6. 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 allow the developer to start construction so the tenant improvements can be completed prior to tenant occupation, which is expected in fall 2021.

Passed: _____, 2021

John Cranley, Mayor

Attest: _____

Clerk