

June 10, 2026

**To:** Mayor and Members of City Council

**From:** Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager 202601982

**Subject:** **Emergency Ordinance – Budget: FY 2026 Discretionary Reserve Transfers for FY 2027**

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Attached is an Emergency Ordinance captioned:

**AUTHORIZING** the transfer and appropriation of \$1,659,955 from the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050 to Office of the City Manager non-personnel operating budget account no. 050x101x7400 in support of the FY 2024 Human Services Impact Award priority of eviction prevention and housing stabilization; **AUTHORIZING** the transfer and return to source of \$54,874,398 to the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050 in accordance with the attached Schedule of Transfer Part A; **AUTHORIZING** the transfer of \$54,874,398 from the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050 to balance sheet reserve account no. 050x3422, “Discretionary Reserve,” to preserve resources for commitments made in FY 2026; **AUTHORIZING** the transfer of \$54,874,398 from balance sheet reserve account no. 050x3422, “Discretionary Reserve,” to the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050 effective July 1, 2026; **AUTHORIZING** the transfer and appropriation of \$54,874,398 from the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050 to various operating budget accounts in accordance with the attached Schedule of Transfer Part B, effective July 1, 2026, to provide resources for various programs and services previously approved by Council in FY 2026; and **DECLARING** that expenditures from City Manager’s Office General Fund non-personnel operating budget account no. 050x101x7400 to provide resources for eviction prevention and housing stabilization constitute a public purpose.

Approval of this Emergency Ordinance authorizes the transfer and appropriation of \$1,659,955 from the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050 to Office of the City Manager non-personnel operating budget account no. 050x101x7400 in support of the FY 2024 Human Services Impact Award priority of eviction prevention and housing stabilization, including but not limited to funding bridge-loans to the Continuum of Care for the Homeless program as described in Council Motion No. 202601642. The Emergency Ordinance also authorizes the transfer and return to source of \$54,874,398 to the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050 in accordance with attached Schedule of Transfer Part A. The Emergency Ordinance authorizes the transfer of \$54,874,398 from the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050 to balance sheet reserve account no. 050x3422, “Discretionary Reserve,” to preserve resources for commitments made in FY 2026. The Emergency Ordinance authorizes the transfer of \$54,874,398 from balance sheet reserve account no. 050x3422, “Discretionary Reserve,” to the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050 effective July 1, 2026. Additionally, the Emergency Ordinance authorizes the transfer and appropriation of \$54,874,398 from the

unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050 to various operating budget accounts according to attached Schedule of Transfer Part B, effective July 1, 2026, to provide resources for various programs and services previously approved by the City Council in FY 2026. Finally, this Emergency Ordinance declares that expenditures from City Manager's Office General Fund non-personnel operating budget account no. 050x101x7400 to provide resources for eviction prevention and housing stabilization constitute a public purpose.

A total of \$54,874,398 in General Fund resources is required in FY 2027 to meet prior year commitments outlined below:

- Impact Award Priority Programming / Bridge-Loans for Continuum of Care for the Homeless Programs - \$1,659,955
- Access to Counsel - \$430,000
- Communications and Branding Expert Services - \$50,000
- Children's Savings Accounts - \$235,727
- Act for Cincy - \$82,500
- Avondale Film Festival - \$100,000
- Violence Reduction Initiatives - \$50,000
- City Hall Operations - \$100,000
- Cincinnati Retirement System One-Time Contribution - \$50,000,000
- Composting Initiatives - \$21,500
- Climate Equity Indication Report - \$50,000
- Keep Cincinnati Beautiful Don't Dump the Nati Program - \$30,000
- Ohio Department of Development (ODOD) Brownfield Remediation Grant Matches - \$116,000
- Warm Up Cincy - \$321,606
- The Recycling Partnership Multi-Family Pilot Program - \$38,750
- Office of Performance and Data Analytics (OPDA) Expert Services - \$22,000
- Department of Human Resources Expert Services and Sworn Testing - \$110,000
- Community Development Expert Services - \$43,375
- Neighborhood Catalytic Capital Investment Program (NCCIP) - \$307,105
- Economic Development Incentive Study - \$55,000
- Represent Cincy - \$150,000
- West End Sports Bar & Grill - \$70,000
- Economic Development Initiatives - \$500,000
- Community Engagement for the Development of Price Hill Landing - \$150,000
- Plan Cincinnati Comprehensive Plan Development - \$180,880

The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to preserve FY 2026 resources for deployment in FY 2027 and ensure continuity in City-funded programming.

The Administration recommends passage of this Emergency Ordinance.

cc: Andrew Dudas, Budget Director  
Steve Webb, Finance Director

Attachments