



February 4, 2026

To: Mayor and Members of City Council

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From: Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager

Subject: Ordinance – Health: Ohio Association of Community Health Centers Tobacco Cessation Project

Attached is an Ordinance captioned:

AUTHORIZING the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant of up to \$15,000 from the Ohio Association of Community Health Centers to support City of Cincinnati Primary Care’s participation in the Tobacco Cessation Project, implementing a multi-faceted strategy focused on preventing tobacco initiation, enhancing evidence-based screening protocols, and increasing patient engagement in cessation treatments; and **AUTHORIZING** the Director of Finance to deposit the grant resources into Public Health Research Fund revenue account no. 350x8571.

Approval of this Ordinance authorizes the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant of up to \$15,000 from the Ohio Association of Community Health Centers (OACHC) to support City of Cincinnati Primary Care’s participation in the Tobacco Cessation Project, implementing a multi-faceted strategy focused on preventing tobacco initiation, enhancing evidence-based screening protocols, and increasing patient engagement in cessation treatments. This Ordinance further authorizes the Finance Director to deposit the grant funds into Public Health Research Fund revenue account no. 350x8571.

A grant of up to \$15,000 is available from the Ohio Association of Community Health Centers to support City of Cincinnati Primary Care’s participation in the Tobacco Cessation Project, implementing a multi-faceted strategy focused on preventing tobacco initiation, enhancing evidence-based screening protocols, and increasing patient engagement in cessation treatments. The Cincinnati Health Department (CHD) additionally plans on leveraging its pharmacy team, raising awareness of the Ohio Tobacco Quit Line, and providing targeted interventions for women of childbearing age to deliver high-quality, comprehensive care necessary to empower patients to lead tobacco-free lives.

The City applied for the grant on December 2, 2025, and received notice of award on January 5, 2026, but no grant funds will be accepted without approval from the City Council. There are no new FTEs/full time equivalents associated with this grant and no local match is required.

Promoting the cessation of tobacco use is in accordance with the “Sustain” goal to “[b]ecome a healthier Cincinnati” and the strategy to “[d]ecrease mortality and chronic and acute diseases” as described on pages 181-182 and 187-188 of Plan Cincinnati (2012).

The Administration recommends passage of this Ordinance.

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



Attachment