

EMERGENCY

City of Cincinnati

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An Ordinance No. _____

- 2021

AUTHORIZING the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant in an amount of up to \$75,000 from the Cincinnati Recreation Foundation, from funds made available through the ESPN RePlay program, for the purpose of renovating underutilized recreation spaces in Avondale as part of the 2021 Community Makeover program; and **AUTHORIZING** the Finance Director to deposit the grant funds into Recreation Special Activities Fund revenue account no. 323x8571x199Q876, "2021 Community Makeover."

WHEREAS, the Cincinnati Recreation Commission ("CRC") is partnering with the Avondale Development Corporation to seek additional funds for community-based projects; and

WHEREAS, a grant in an amount of up to \$75,000 is available from the Cincinnati Recreation Foundation, from funds made available through the ESPN RePlay program, which provides financial support for revitalizing places for sports, recreation, and play in low- and moderate-income neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, Avondale is the designated area for the 2021 Community Makeover program; and

WHEREAS, the 2021 Community Makeover program brings together the resources of the Cincinnati Reds Community Fund, P&G, the Cincinnati Zoo, and Children's Hospital to positively impact identified neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, two CRC sites, the Avondale Recreation Area (870 Blair Avenue) and the Rockdale Recreation Area (3480 Harvey Avenue), will receive improvements from the 2021 Community Makeover program; and

WHEREAS, the additional funds made available from the Cincinnati Recreation Foundation/ESPN RePlay program grant will be used to offset City investments and add additional amenities to the sites; and

WHEREAS, no matching funds and no additional FTEs are required for the acceptance of this grant; and

WHEREAS, CRC applied for this grant on April 20, 2021, but no funds will be accepted without Council approval; and

WHEREAS, this ordinance is in accordance with the "Live" goal to "Create a more livable community," as described on page 156 of Plan Cincinnati (2012); now, therefore,

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

Section 1. That the City Manager is hereby authorized to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant in an amount of up to \$75,000 from the Cincinnati Recreation Foundation, from funds made available through the ESPN RePlay program, for the purpose of renovating underutilized recreation spaces in Avondale as part of the 2021 Community Makeover program.

Section 2. That the Finance Director is hereby authorized to deposit the grant funds into Recreation Special Activities Fund revenue account no. 323x8571x199Q876, "2021 Community Makeover."

Section 3. That the proper City officials are hereby authorized to do all things necessary and proper to comply with the terms of Sections 1 and 2 hereof.

Section 4. 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 for grant funds to be accepted in a timely fashion upon receipt of an award notice.

Passed: _____, 2021

John Cranley, Mayor

Attest: _____
Clerk