



City of Cincinnati

801 Plum Street
Cincinnati, Ohio 45202

CALENDAR

Cincinnati City Council

Wednesday, April 3, 2024

2:00 PM

Council Chambers, Room 300

ROLL CALL

PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

FILING OF THE JOURNAL

MAYOR AFTAB

MR. JEFFREYS

- [202400993](#) **ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY)**, submitted by Mayor Aftab Pureval and Councilmember Jeffreys, from Emily Smart Woerner, City Solicitor, **AUTHORIZING** the transfer and return to source of \$197,197.76 from capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x222390, "Red Bike Program Expansion," to the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050; and **AUTHORIZING** the transfer and appropriation of \$197,197.76 from the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050 to the Department of Transportation and Engineering FY 2024 non-personnel operating budget account no. 050x232x7200 to provide one-time recourses for operating support to allow Red Bike d/b/a Cincy Bike Share, Inc. to continue to operate in the City.

Recommendation BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

Sponsors: Mayor and Jeffreys

MS. PARKS

- [202401030](#) **RESOLUTION**, submitted by Councilmember Parks, from Emily Smart Woerner, City Solicitor, **RECOGNIZING** Rosemary Eison-Tanks as a 2024 National Women's History Month honoree and **EXPRESSING** the appreciation of the Mayor and this Council for her contributions to and passion for the youth of Cincinnati.

Recommendation PASS

Sponsors: Parks

MR. WALSH

MS. KEARNEY

- [202401046](#) **RESOLUTION**, submitted by Councilmember Walsh and Vice Mayor Kearney, from Emily Smart Woerner, City Solicitor, **RECOGNIZING** Karen Jahnke as a 2024 Women's History Month honoree and **EXPRESSING** the appreciation of

the Mayor and the Council of the City of Cincinnati for her dedication to improving the lives of Cincinnatians.

Recommendation PASS

Sponsors: Walsh and Kearney

MS. KEARNEY

MS. ALBI

MR. HARRIS

4. [202401024](#) **MOTION**, submitted by Vice Mayor Kearney, Councilmembers Albi and Harris, **WE MOVE** that the Office of Environment and Sustainability apply for FEMA funding for a geotechnical study for the ravine behind Hewitt Crescent St through their Building Resilient Infrastructure in Communities grant. If awarded, this grant would require a 25% match in funding from the City.

Recommendation BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

Sponsors: Kearney, Albi and Harris

CITY MANAGER

5. [202400980](#) **REPORT**, dated 4/3/2024, submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, regarding Special Event Permit Application for Festival 513.

Recommendation FILE

Sponsors: City Manager

6. [202400989](#) **REPORT**, dated 4/3/2024, submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, regarding Special Event Permit Application for Cincinnati Walks for Kids 2024.

Recommendation FILE

Sponsors: City Manager

7. [202400994](#) **ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY)** submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 4/3/2024, **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to accept and appropriate a Compost & Food Waste Reduction Grant (ALN 10.935) of up to \$400,000 from the United States Department of Agriculture (the "USDA Grant") to support diverting food loss and waste from landfills, increasing food recovery and transformation, and creating compost; **AUTHORIZING** the Director of Finance to deposit the USDA Grant resources into Environment and Sustainability Fund 436 revenue account no. 436x8543; **AUTHORIZING** the transfer and return to the unappropriated surplus of the General Fund of \$100,000 from capital improvement program project account no. 980x104x231029, "Green Cincinnati Sustainability Initiatives - GF"; and **AUTHORIZING** the transfer of \$100,000 from the unappropriated surplus of the General Fund to the unappropriated surplus of the Environment and Sustainability Fund 436 to provide matching resources for the USDA Grant.

Recommendation

BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

Sponsors:

City Manager

8. [202400995](#) **ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY)** submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 4/3/2024, **ESTABLISHING** new capital improvement program project account nos. 980x233x242372, "WHV OKI STBG 2020 HC Match," 980x233x242373, "WHV OKI STBG 2021 HC Match," 980x233x242374, "WHV TRAC 2021 HC Match," and 980x233x242375, "WHV Earmark 2022 HC Match"; **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to accept and appropriate contributions from Hamilton County up to \$3,500,000 to be used as fifty percent of the required local match for federal grants, in accordance with the attached Schedule of Appropriation; **AUTHORIZING** the Director of Finance to deposit up to \$3,500,000 from Hamilton County to the various newly established capital improvement program project accounts set forth in the attached Schedule of Appropriation; **AMENDING** Ordinance 8-2022 to reconcile a difference between Ordinance 8-2022 and the project grant agreement for the scheduled payment of funds awarded to the Western Hills Viaduct project; **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to transfer and appropriate up to \$8,200,000 from the unappropriated surplus of Fund No. 401, "Transit Infrastructure Fund Grants," to existing capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x222392, "Western Hills Viaduct Transit Grant"; and **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to do all things necessary and enter into any agreements necessary to accept these grant and matching resources.

Recommendation BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEESponsors:

City Manager

9. [202400996](#) **ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY)** submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 4/3/2024, **ESTABLISHING** new capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x242378, "Hopple St Viaduct Preventative Maint - LMB," to provide resources for the design, construction, and right-of-way acquisition associated with the major preventative maintenance work on the Hopple Street Viaduct; **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to accept and appropriate a grant up to \$9,040,000 from the Ohio Department of Transportation Local Major Bridge program (ALN 20.205) to newly established capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x242378, "Hopple St Viaduct Preventative Maint - LMB"; **AUTHORIZING** the Director of Finance to deposit the grant resources into capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x242378, "Hopple St Viaduct Preventative Maint - LMB"; and **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to execute any agreements necessary for the receipt and administration of these grant resources.

Recommendation BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEESponsors:

City Manager

10. [202400997](#) **ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY)** submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 4/3/2024, **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant of up to \$35,395 from the Ohio Urban Transit Program awarded by the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) to the Streetcar Operations Fund non-personnel operating budget account no. 455x236x7200 to provide funds for preventative maintenance on the streetcar system; and **AUTHORIZING** the Director of Finance to deposit the grant funds into Streetcar Operations Fund 455 revenue account no. 455x8534.

Recommendation BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE**Sponsors:** City Manager

11. [202401016](#) **REPORT**, dated 4/3/2024, submitted Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, regarding Hillside Overlay District issue spotting. (Ref. Doc. #202301262)

Recommendation CLIMATE, ENVIRONMENT & INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE**Sponsors:** City Manager

12. [202401017](#) **REPORT**, dated 4/3/2024, submitted Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, regarding fee waivers for community organizations applying for zoning map amendments. (Ref. Doc. #202301902)

Recommendation EQUITABLE GROWTH & HOUSING COMMITTEE**Sponsors:** City Manager**CLERK OF COUNCIL**

13. [202401011](#) **STATEMENT**, submitted by the Clerk of Council formally filing a copy of the Financial Disclosure Statement for Markiea Linnea Carter/Community and Economic Development/Director.

Recommendation FILE**Sponsors:** Clerk of Council

14. [202401012](#) **STATEMENT**, submitted by the Clerk of Council formally filing a copy of the Financial Disclosure Statement for Lydgia S. Sartor/Interim Deputy Director.

Recommendation FILE**Sponsors:** Clerk of Council

15. [202401013](#) **STATEMENT**, submitted by the Clerk of Council formally filing a copy of the Financial Disclosure Statement for Angela Strunc/DOTE/Division Manager.

Recommendation FILE**Sponsors:** Clerk of Council

16. [202401014](#) **REGISTRATION**, submitted by the Clerk of Council from Legislative Agent Douglas Moormann, Development Strategies Group, Vice President, 700 Walnut Street, Suite 450, Cincinnati, Ohio 45202. (Saul Urban/310 Race St. Partners)

Recommendation FILE**Sponsors:** Clerk of Council

17. [202401015](#) **REGISTRATION**, submitted by the Clerk of Council from Legislative Agent Douglas Moormann, Development Strategies Group, Vice President, 700 Walnut Street, Suite 450, Cincinnati, Ohio 45202. (CORE SPACES)

Recommendation FILE**Sponsors:** Clerk of Council**BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE**

18. [202400934](#) **ORDINANCE**, submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 3/27/2024, **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant of up to \$1,814,329 from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Federal

Emergency Management Agency, FY 2023 Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program (ALN 97.044) to provide resources for the purchase of a heavy rescue apparatus and for professional development training for career firefighters; and **AUTHORIZING** the Director of Finance to deposit the grant resources into Fire Grants and Donations Fund 472, revenue account no. 472x8542.

Recommendation PASS

Sponsors: City Manager

19. [202400935](#) **ORDINANCE**, submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 3/27/2024 **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant of \$150,000 from the Talent for Tomorrow Digital Equity Challenge through the United States Conference of Mayors in collaboration with Comcast's Project UP to establish a paid cooperative program for information technology (IT) positions within the City's Enterprise Technology Solutions (ETS) and Office of Performance and Data Analytics (OPDA); and **AUTHORIZING** the Director of Finance to deposit the grant funds into Citizens Jobs Fund revenue account no. 308x8571.

Recommendation PASS

Sponsors: City Manager

20. [202400938](#) **ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY)**, submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 3/27/2024, **AUTHORIZING** the establishment of capital improvement program project account no. 980x199x241916, "Ohio River Trail - ODNR RTP Grant," to provide grant resources for the construction of a foot trail connecting a segment of the Ohio River Trail into a complete loop; **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant of up to \$150,000 from the State of Ohio, Ohio Department of Natural Resources Recreation Trails Program (ALN 20.219) to newly established capital improvement program project account no. 980x199x241916, "Ohio River Trail - ODNR RTP Grant"; and **AUTHORIZING** the Finance Director to deposit the grant resources of up to \$150,000 into newly established capital improvement program project account no. 980x199x241916, "Ohio River Trail - ODNR RTP Grant."

Recommendation PASS EMERGENCY

Sponsors: City Manager

21. [202400940](#) **ORDINANCE**, submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 3/27/2024, **ESTABLISHING** capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x242347, "River Rd Crossings Safety Imprvmnts - CRISI," for the purpose of rebuilding existing traffic signals with railroad pre-emption, making equipment improvements at grade crossings, and increasing storage capacity for vehicles exiting the Anderson Ferry onto River Road; **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to accept and appropriate grant resources of up to \$6,067,200 awarded by the U.S. Department of Transportation Federal Railroad Administration under the Consolidated Rail Infrastructure and Safety Improvements (CRISI) Program (ALN 20.325) to newly established capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x242347, "River Rd Crossings Safety Imprvmnts - CRISI"; and **AUTHORIZING** the Director of

Finance to deposit the grant resources into capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x242347, "River Rd Crossings Safety Imprvmnts - CRISI."

Recommendation PASS

Sponsors: City Manager

22. [202400967](#) **ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY)**, submitted by Councilmember Owens, from Emily Smart Woerner, City Solicitor, **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager and the employees of the Office of Councilmember Owens to solicit and accept donations of money, in-kind contributions, and other things of value from the Cincinnati business community, individual benefactors, and other available sources to host Human Services Day; and **AUTHORIZING** the Director of Finance to deposit funds donated to the City for Human Services Day into Fund No. 314, "Special Events."

Recommendation PASS EMERGENCY

Sponsors: Owens

23. [202400924](#) **MOTION**, submitted by Vice Mayor Kearney, Mayor Aftab Pureval and Councilmember Jeffreys, **WE MOVE** that Cincinnati City Council reallocate and approve the transfer of one million dollars (\$1,000,000) from the Housing Stability Capital Account to the General Fund to provide payment assistance to eligible Cincinnati homeowners for the past due property taxes for owner-occupied 1-4 family residences. (BALANCE ON FILE IN THE CLERK'S OFFICE) (STATEMENT ATTACHED)

Recommendation ADOPT

Sponsors: Kearney, Mayor and Jeffreys

SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS

PUBLIC SAFETY & GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

24. [202400936](#) **RESOLUTION (LEGISLATIVE) (EMERGENCY)** submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 3/27/2024, **OBJECTING** to the renewal of the D5J and D6 liquor permit number 5931167 applied for by Midwest Textiles Warehouse, LLC d/b/a Drip Coffee Lounge to the Ohio Division of Liquor Control.

Recommendation PASS EMERGENCY

Sponsors: City Manager

25. [202401010](#) **MOTION**, submitted by Councilmember Johnson **WE MOVE** that the City Administration remain committed to the terms of the Plush settlement and additional improvements at the Emergency Communications Center (ECC) that enhance the center's operation and staff morale, including ongoing support of the recently established Peer Support Team, a Quality Assurance program, and efforts to achieve the status of an accredited center. **WE FURTHER MOVE** that the City Administration remain dedicated to continuous improvement of ECC, leveraging data to identify areas of improvement and implementing strategies to enhance performance, with regular and transparent public reporting.

Recommendation ADOPT

Sponsors: Johnson

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Adjournment

202400993

Date: April 3, 2024

To: Mayor Aftab Pureval and Councilmember Mark Jeffreys
From: Emily Smart Woerner, City Solicitor *EESW/LES*
Subject: **Emergency Ordinance – Red Bike Funding**

Transmitted herewith is an emergency ordinance captioned as follows:

AUTHORIZING the transfer and return to source of \$197,197.76 from capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x222390, “Red Bike Program Expansion,” to the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050; and **AUTHORIZING** the transfer and appropriation of \$197,197.76 from the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050 to the Department of Transportation and Engineering FY 2024 non-personnel operating budget account no. 050x232x7200 to provide one-time resources for operating support to allow Red Bike d/b/a Cincy Bike Share, Inc. to continue to operate in the City.

EESW/LES (dmm)
Attachment
399622



EMERGENCY

City of Cincinnati

LES [Signature]

An Ordinance No. _____

- 2024

AUTHORIZING the transfer and return to source of \$197,197.76 from capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x222390, “Red Bike Program Expansion,” to the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050; and **AUTHORIZING** the transfer and appropriation of \$197,197.76 from the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050 to the Department of Transportation and Engineering FY 2024 non-personnel operating budget account no. 050x232x7200 to provide one-time resources for operating support to allow Red Bike d/b/a Cincy Bike Share, Inc. to continue to operate in the City.

WHEREAS, on December 15, 2021, Council passed Ordinance No. 507-2021, which was amended by Ordinance No. 163-2022, authorizing the transfer and appropriation of \$500,000 from the General Fund to capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x222390, “Red Bike Program Expansion,” to provide resources for program expansion into various City neighborhoods, including Bond Hill, Roselawn, Evanston, and Avondale; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2024, the Cincy Bike Share Board voted to discontinue operations indefinitely due to lack of sustainable funding; and

WHEREAS, a fundraising campaign has been created to avoid a discontinuation of Red Bike’s operations, towards which the City will transfer existing capital funds allocated to Red Bike to the operating budget as the City’s contribution to this effort; and

WHEREAS, this funding is intended as a one-time contribution as bridge funding to allow Red Bike to establish a long-term sustainable funding model; and

WHEREAS, providing resources for operating support for Red Bike is in accordance with the “Compete” goal to “[d]evelop an efficient multi-modal transportation system that supports neighborhood vitality” and the strategy to “[e]xpand options for non-automotive travel” as described on pages 127-146 of Plan Cincinnati (2012); now, therefore,

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

Section 1. That the transfer and return to source of \$197,197.76 from capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x222390, “Red Bike Program Expansion,” to the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050 is authorized.

Section 2. That \$197,197.76 is transferred and appropriated from the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050 to the Department of Transportation and Engineering FY 2024

non-personnel operating budget account no. 050x232x7200 to provide one-time resources for operating support to allow Red Bike d/b/a Cincy Bike Share, Inc. to continue to operate in the City.

Section 3. That the proper City officials are authorized to do all things necessary and proper to carry out the terms of Sections 1 and 2.

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 immediate need to deploy funding to allow Red Bike to continue operations.

Passed: _____, 2024

Aftab Pureval, Mayor

Attest: _____
Clerk

202401030

Date: April 10, 2024

To: Councilmember Victoria Parks
From: Emily Smart Woerner, City Solicitor *ESW*
Subject: **Resolution – Recognizing Rosemary Eison-Tanks**

Transmitted herewith is a resolution captioned as follows:

RECOGNIZING Rosemary Eison-Tanks as a 2024 National Women’s History Month honoree and **EXPRESSING** the appreciation of the Mayor and this Council for her contributions to and passion for the youth of Cincinnati.

ESW/KKF(dmm)
Attachment
399794

EESW

RESOLUTION NO. _____ - 2024

RECOGNIZING Rosemary Eison-Tanks as a 2024 National Women’s History Month honoree and **EXPRESSING** the appreciation of the Mayor and this Council for her contributions to and passion for the youth of Cincinnati.

WHEREAS, Rosemary Eison-Tanks, or “Ms. Toni,” is a small business owner who worked as a nurse, therapist, coach, educator, and community engagement specialist, and is a long-time resident of Madisonville and a part of the five generations of her family who remain in Madisonville; and

WHEREAS, Rosemary Eison-Tanks graduated from Seton High School, received an Associate’s Degree in Physics from the University of Cincinnati, a Bachelor’s Degree in Nursing, and two Master’s Degrees in Behavioral Health and Social Work from Xavier University; and

WHEREAS, Rosemary Eison-Tanks has held a passion for youth development since the beginning of her education, and she eventually created and still chairs the Madisonville Youth Community Council in an effort to promote community engagement and advocacy in the youth; and

WHEREAS, Rosemary Eison-Tanks founded a program known as “Curiosity through Chess,” partnered with the Mayerson Foundation that worked to build connections and reduce stigma between neighborhood youth and children; and

WHEREAS, Rosemary Eison-Tanks is also a part of Cohear, through which she addresses public concerns regarding mental health; and

WHEREAS, Rosemary Eison-Tanks currently serves on the City’s Beautification Committee and is the LSDMC Chair of Lighthouse School; and

WHEREAS, Rosemary Eison-Tanks was awarded the “Lifetime Achievement” award from the National Association of Social Workers; and

WHEREAS, Rosemary Eison-Tanks has been awarded the “Black Excellence Award” by the Citizens of the World Charter Schools; and

WHEREAS, Rosemary Eison-Tanks is an advocate for her community, and she actively informs her neighborhood of new changes in or around her community; now, therefore,

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

Section 1. That the Mayor and this Council recognize Rosemary Eison-Tanks as a 2024 Women’s History Month honoree for her commitment to influencing the youth and supporting her community.

Section 2. That this resolution be spread upon the minutes of Council and that a copy be provided to Rosemary Eison-Tanks through the office of Councilmember Victoria Parks.

Passed: _____, 2024

Aftab Pureval, Mayor

Attest: _____
Clerk

Submitted by Councilmember Victoria Parks

202401046

Date: March 29, 20024

To: Councilmember Seth Walsh and Vice Mayor Jan-Michele Lemon Kearney
From: Emily Smart Woerner, City Solicitor *EESW/RAH*
Subject: **Resolution – Honoring Karen Jahnke**

Transmitted herewith is a resolution captioned as follows:

RECOGNIZING Karen Jahnke as a 2024 Women's History Month honoree and
EXPRESSING the appreciation of the Mayor and the Council of the City of Cincinnati for
her dedication to improving the lives of Cincinnatians.

EESW/LES(lnk)
Attachment
399874

RESOLUTION NO. _____ - 2024

RECOGNIZING Karen Jahnke as a 2024 Women's History Month honoree and **EXPRESSING** the appreciation of the Mayor and the Council of the City of Cincinnati for her dedication to improving the lives of Cincinnatians.

WHEREAS, Karen Jahnke dedicated her time volunteering at Frederick Douglass Elementary School in East Walnut Hills from 2010 to 2020; and

WHEREAS, while Ms. Jahnke volunteered at Frederick Douglass Elementary School, she computerized the library and raised funds to install two computer programs to help students with their reading skills, organized tutors from Taft High school and Summit Country Day, and started a pen pal program with Frederick Douglass Elementary students and St. Ursula Villa students; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Jahnke has dedicated her time to improving the lives of students at Frederick Douglass Elementary school by organizing a hat, coat, and glove drive; organizing volunteers and donations to feed the Frederick Douglass Elementary community during Thanksgiving; and organizing Christmas baskets for families in need; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Jahnke piloted a program called Successful Beginnings at Frederick Douglass Elementary School and Pleasant Hill Academy; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Jahnke co-chaired the United Way's "Success by 6," an effort to ensure that all children ages 0 to 6 are healthy and ready to succeed by the time they enter kindergarten; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Jahnke co-chaired The Heart Ball in 2019, raising \$1.8 million; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Jahnke co-chaired the United Way Tocqueville Society, which recognizes local philanthropic leaders and volunteer champions in the United States, France, and Romania who have devoted time, talent, and funds to create long-lasting changes by tackling communities' most serious issues; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Jahnke served on the boards of Teach for America, where she helped with fundraising, and St. Ursula Villa, where she also volunteered; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Jahnke continues to give back to the Cincinnati community by serving as Development Director, board member, and volunteer for Childhood Food Solutions, an organization that focuses on developing solutions for childhood food insecurity that can be applied in a community, tested for effectiveness, and duplicated in other communities; now, therefore,

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

Section 1. That the Mayor and this Council hereby recognize Karen Jahnke as a 2024 Women's History Month honoree for her dedication to improving the lives of Cincinnatians.

Section 2. That this resolution be spread upon the minutes of Council and that a copy be provided to Karen Jahnke through the office of Councilmember Seth Walsh.

Passed: _____, 2024

Aftab Pureval, Mayor

Attest: _____

Clerk

Submitted by Councilmember Seth Walsh and Vice Mayor Jan-Michele Lemon Kearney



202401024

Jan-Michele Lemon Kearney
Vice Mayor

Motion

We move that the Office of Environment and Sustainability apply for FEMA funding for a geotechnical study for the ravine behind Hewitt Crescent St through their Building Resilient Infrastructure in Communities grant. If awarded, this grant would require a 25% match in funding from the City.


Vice Mayor Jan-Michele Lemon Kearney

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Date: 04/03/24

To: Mayor and Members of City Council 202401980
From: Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager
Subject: **SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT APPLICATION: Festival 513**

In accordance with Cincinnati Municipal Code, Chapter 765; Bomani Tyehimba has submitted a Special Event Permit Application Form to the Chief of Police. The Special Event Permit Application has been reviewed by the following department(s): (Cincinnati Fire Department, Metro, Cincinnati Police Special Events Unit, Cincinnati Police District One, Traffic and Engineering Department, Traffic and Road Operations Department and The Health Department. There are no objections to issuing the Special Events Permit.

The particulars of the requested event are as indicated:

EVENT NAME/TITLE: Festival 513
EVENT SPONSOR/PRODUCER: Group 513 LLC and Ourstory Foundation
CONTACT PERSON: Bomani Tyehimba
LOCATION: Freedom Way and Race St. (Bounded by Elm and Walnut St. as well as West 2nd St. to Freedom Way)
DATE(S) AND TIME(S): 07/26/24 1530-0200, 07/27/24 1200-0230
EVENT DESCRIPTION: Music and Radio Broadcast, Food, and General Merchandise Vendors
ANTICIPATED ATTENDANCE: 5000
ALCOHOL SALES: YES. NO.
TEMPORARY LIQUOR PERMIT HOLDER IS: To Be Determined

cc: Colonel Teresa A. Theetge, Police Chief

Date: 4/3/2024

To: Mayor and Members of City Council 202400989
From: Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager
Subject: **SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT APPLICATION: Cincinnati Walks For Kids 2024**

In accordance with Cincinnati Municipal Code, Chapter 765; Hanna Firestone has submitted a Special Event Permit Application Form to the Chief of Police. The Special Event Permit Application has been reviewed by the following department(s): Cincinnati Fire Department, Metro, Cincinnati Police Special Events Unit, Cincinnati Police District One, Traffic and Engineering Department, Traffic and Road Operations Department and The Health Department. There are no objections to issuing the Special Events Permit.

The particulars of the requested event are as indicated:

EVENT NAME/TITLE: Cincinnati Walks For Kids 2024
EVENT SPONSOR/PRODUCER: Hanna Firestone
CONTACT PERSON: Hanna Firestone
LOCATION: Banks Dora
DATE(S) AND TIME(S): 5/18/2024 07:30am - 12:00pm
EVENT DESCRIPTION: Cincinnati Children's Cincinnati Walks for Kids, is an annual fundraiser that attracts thousands of supporters who join together to raise money to advance research and improve care for sick and injured children. This event is our biggest grassroots fundraiser that brings together people from all around the Cincinnati community. People of all ages can participate and register online at www.cincywalks.org. It is a community walk that is followed by a celebration on Joe Nuxhall Way and inside Great American Ball Park. Food Trucks will be present for walkers to enjoy.
ANTICIPATED ATTENDANCE: 3000
ALCOHOL SALES: YES. NO.
TEMPORARY LIQUOR PERMIT HOLDER IS: (identify, if "YES" is checked above)

cc: Colonel Teresa A. Theetge, Police Chief

April 3, 2024

To: Mayor and Members of City Council

202400994

From: Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager

Subject: Emergency Ordinance – OES: USDA Compost & Food Waste Reduction Grant

Attached is an Emergency Ordinance captioned:

AUTHORIZING the City Manager to accept and appropriate a Compost & Food Waste Reduction Grant (ALN 10.935) of up to \$400,000 from the United States Department of Agriculture (the “USDA Grant”) to support diverting food loss and waste from landfills, increasing food recovery and transformation, and creating compost; **AUTHORIZING** the Director of Finance to deposit the USDA Grant resources into Environment and Sustainability Fund 436 revenue account no. 436x8543; **AUTHORIZING** the transfer and return to the unappropriated surplus of the General Fund of \$100,000 from capital improvement program project account no. 980x104x231029, “Green Cincinnati Sustainability Initiatives – GF”; and **AUTHORIZING** the transfer of \$100,000 from the unappropriated surplus of the General Fund to the unappropriated surplus of the Environment and Sustainability Fund 436 to provide matching resources for the USDA Grant.

Approval of this Emergency Ordinance authorizes the following:

1. the City Manager to accept and appropriate a Compost & Food Waste Reduction Grant of up to \$400,000 from the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) to support diverting food loss and waste from landfills, increasing food recovery and transformation, and creating compost;
2. the Finance Director to deposit USDA Grant resources into Environment and Sustainability Fund 436 revenue account no. 436x8543;
3. the transfer and return to the unappropriated surplus of the General Fund of \$100,000 from capital improvement program project account no. 980x104x231029, “Green Cincinnati Sustainability Initiatives – GF”; and
4. the transfer of \$100,000 from the unappropriated surplus of the General Fund to the unappropriated surplus of Environment and Sustainability Fund 436 to provide matching resources for the USDA Grant.

On June 26, 2023, the City Council approved Ordinance No. 0253-2023, which authorized the City Manager to apply for the USDA Grant to support diverting food waste from landfills and creating compost. The City was awarded the USDA Grant for up to \$400,000.

The USDA Grant requires a 25 percent local match, totaling \$100,000, which is available in existing capital improvement program project account no. 980x104x231029, “Green Cincinnati Sustainability Initiatives – GF.” These resources need to be transferred to Environment and Sustainability Fund 436 to be used for the local match. The Office of Environment and Sustainability will use the matching funds to fund temporary personnel.

No new FTEs/full time equivalents are associated with the USDA Grant.

Diverting food waste from landfills and creating compost is in accordance with the “Sustain” goal to “[b]ecome a healthier Cincinnati” and strategy to “[c]reate a healthy environment and reduce energy consumption” as described on pages 181-186 of Plan Cincinnati (2012).

The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to accept the grant resources and align with the established grant period.

The Administration recommends passage of this Emergency Ordinance.

cc: Andrew M. Dudas, Budget Director
Karen Alder, Finance Director



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AUTHORIZING the City Manager to accept and appropriate a Compost & Food Waste Reduction Grant (ALN 10.935) of up to \$400,000 from the United States Department of Agriculture (the “USDA Grant”) to support diverting food loss and waste from landfills, increasing food recovery and transformation, and creating compost; **AUTHORIZING** the Director of Finance to deposit the USDA Grant resources into Environment and Sustainability Fund 436 revenue account no. 436x8543; **AUTHORIZING** the transfer and return to the unappropriated surplus of the General Fund of \$100,000 from capital improvement program project account no. 980x104x231029, “Green Cincinnati Sustainability Initiatives – GF”; and **AUTHORIZING** the transfer of \$100,000 from the unappropriated surplus of the General Fund to the unappropriated surplus of the Environment and Sustainability Fund 436 to provide matching resources for the USDA Grant.

WHEREAS, a grant of up to \$400,000 is available from the United States Department of Agriculture through the Compost & Food Waste Reduction Grant Program (ALN 10.935) (the “USDA Grant”); and

WHEREAS, on June 26, 2023, Council approved Ordinance No. 253-2023, which authorized the City Manager to apply for the USDA Grant to support diverting food waste from landfills and creating compost; and

WHEREAS, the City was awarded the USDA Grant of up to \$400,000; and

WHEREAS, the USDA Grant requires the City to provide matching funds of 25 percent, totaling \$100,000, and these matching funds are available in existing capital improvement program project account no. 980x104x231029, “Green Cincinnati Sustainability Initiatives – GF,” but need to be transferred to Environment and Sustainability Fund 436 to be used for the local match; and

WHEREAS, the Office of Environment and Sustainability will use the matching funds to fund temporary personnel; and

WHEREAS, there are no new FTEs/full time equivalents associated with the USDA Grant; and

WHEREAS, diverting food waste from landfills and creating compost is in accordance with the “Sustain” goal to “[b]ecome a healthier Cincinnati” and strategy to “[c]reate a healthy environment and reduce energy consumption” as described on pages 181-186 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 authorized to accept and appropriate a Compost & Food Waste Reduction Grant (ALN 10.935) of up to \$400,000 from the United States Department of Agriculture (the “USDA Grant”) to support diverting food loss and waste from landfills, increasing food recovery and transformation, and creating compost.

Section 2. That the Director of Finance is authorized to deposit the USDA Grant resources into Environment and Sustainability Fund 436 revenue account no. 436x8543.

Section 3. That \$100,000 is transferred from capital improvement program project account no. 980x104x231029, “Green Cincinnati Sustainability Initiatives – GF,” and returned to the unappropriated surplus of the General Fund.

Section 4. That \$100,000 is transferred from the unappropriated surplus of the General Fund to the unappropriated surplus of the Environment and Sustainability Fund 436 to provide matching resources for the USDA Grant.

Section 5. That the proper City officials are authorized to do all things necessary and proper to carry out the terms of the USDA Grant and Sections 1 through 4.

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 accept the grant resources and align with the established grant period.

Passed: _____, 2024

Aftab Pureval, Mayor

Attest: _____
Clerk

April 3, 2024

To: Mayor and Members of City Council
From: Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager
Subject: **Emergency Ordinance – DOTE: Western Hills Viaduct (WHV) Transit Infrastructure Fund Grant and Matching Resources**

202400995

Attached is an Emergency Ordinance captioned:

ESTABLISHING new capital improvement program project account nos. 980x233x242372, “WHV OKI STBG 2020 HC Match,” 980x233x242373, “WHV OKI STBG 2021 HC Match,” 980x233x242374, “WHV TRAC 2021 HC Match,” and 980x233x242375, “WHV Earmark 2022 HC Match”; **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to accept and appropriate contributions from Hamilton County up to \$3,500,000 to be used as fifty percent of the required local match for federal grants, in accordance with the attached Schedule of Appropriation; **AUTHORIZING** the Director of Finance to deposit up to \$3,500,000 from Hamilton County to the various newly established capital improvement program project accounts set forth in the attached Schedule of Appropriation; **AMENDING** Ordinance 8-2022 to reconcile a difference between Ordinance 8-2022 and the project grant agreement for the scheduled payment of funds awarded to the Western Hills Viaduct project; **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to transfer and appropriate up to \$8,200,000 from the unappropriated surplus of Fund No. 401, “Transit Infrastructure Fund Grants,” to existing capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x222392, “Western Hills Viaduct Transit Grant”; and **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to do all things necessary and enter into any agreements necessary to accept these grant and matching resources.

Approval of this Emergency Ordinance accomplishes the following:

1. establishes four new Western Hills Viaduct capital improvement program project accounts to provide local matching resources from Hamilton County for various federal grants;
2. authorizes the City Manager to accept and appropriate contributions from Hamilton County up to \$3,500,000 to be used as fifty percent of the required local match for various federal grants;
3. authorizes the Finance Director to deposit up to \$3,500,000 from Hamilton County to the various newly established capital improvement program project accounts;
4. amends Ordinance No. 0008-2022 to reconcile a difference between Ordinance No. 0008-2022 and the project grant agreement for the scheduled payment of funds awarded to the Western Hills Viaduct project (“the Project”);
5. authorizes the City Manager to transfer and appropriate up to \$8,200,000 from the unappropriated surplus of Fund No. 401, “Transit Infrastructure Fund Grants,” to existing capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x222392, “Western Hills Viaduct Transit Grant”; and
6. authorizes the City Manager to do all things necessary to enter into any agreements necessary to accept these grant and matching resources.

On December 7, 2022, the City Council approved Ordinance No. 0369-2022 authorizing the City Manager to accept and appropriate the following grants for the Project: Ohio-Kentucky-Indiana (OKI) Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG), Transportation Review Advisory Council (TRAC) Grant, Nationally Significant Freight and Highway Projects (INFRA) grant, and federal funding earmarked in the Consolidation Appropriations Act of 2022 for Highway Infrastructure Programs. Hamilton County will provide matching resources up to \$3,500,000 for these grants, which requires City Council authorization to accept and appropriate.

On January 20, 2022, the City Council approved Ordinance No. 0008-2022, authorizing the City Manager to accept and deposit into Fund No. 401, "Transit Infrastructure Fund Grants," grant resources up to \$205,000,000 from the Southwest Ohio Regional Transit Authority (SORTA) Transit Infrastructure Fund program, with payments to be received over 25 years at a rate of \$8,200,000 million annually for the Project.

Under the terms of the project grant agreement executed December 8, 2023 between the City and SORTA, grant resources of up to \$205 million from the SORTA Transit Infrastructure Fund will be disbursed in the following manner: \$16,400,000 will be deposited into Fund No. 401, "Transit Infrastructure Fund Grants," followed by 12 annual installments of \$14,500,000 and one final payment of \$14,600,000, totaling up to \$188,600,000, will be assigned to be used by the Transportation Improvement District (TID) or its Trustee to pay debt service and related costs on bonds issued for the Project. To reconcile the difference in the payment schedule from Ordinance No. 0008-2022 and the project grant agreement, it is necessary to amend Section 7 of Ordinance No. 0008-2022.

There are no new FTEs/full time equivalents associated with these grants.

The Project is in accordance with the "Connect" goal to "[d]evelop an efficient multi-modal transportation system that supports neighborhood livability" as well as the strategy to "[p]lan, design and implement a safe and sustainable transportation system" described on pages 129-138 of Plan Cincinnati (2012).

The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to accept matching resources to meet established contractual deadlines.

The Administration recommends passage of this Emergency Ordinance.

cc: Andrew M. Dudas, Budget Director
Karen Alder, Finance Director



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ESTABLISHING new capital improvement program project account nos. 980x233x242372, “WHV OKI STBG 2020 HC Match,” 980x233x242373, “WHV OKI STBG 2021 HC Match,” 980x233x242374, “WHV TRAC 2021 HC Match,” and 980x233x242375, “WHV Earmark 2022 HC Match”; **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to accept and appropriate contributions from Hamilton County up to \$3,500,000 to be used as fifty percent of the required local match for federal grants, in accordance with the attached Schedule of Appropriation; **AUTHORIZING** the Director of Finance to deposit up to \$3,500,000 from Hamilton County to the various newly established capital improvement program project accounts as set forth in the attached Schedule of Appropriation; **AMENDING** Ordinance 8-2022 to reconcile a difference between Ordinance 8-2022 and the project grant agreement for the scheduled payment of funds awarded to the Western Hills Viaduct project; **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to transfer and appropriate up to \$8,200,000 from the unappropriated surplus of Fund No. 401, “Transit Infrastructure Fund Grants,” to existing capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x222392, “Western Hills Viaduct Transit Grant”; and **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to do all things necessary and enter into any agreements necessary to accept these grant and matching resources.

WHEREAS, on December 7, 2022, Council approved Ordinance No. 369-2022 authorizing the City Manager to accept and appropriate an Ohio-Kentucky-Indiana (OKI) Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG), a Transportation Review Advisory Council (TRAC) Grant, a Nationally Significant Freight and Highway Projects (INFRA) grant, and federal funding earmarked in the Consolidation Appropriations Act of 2022 for Highway Infrastructure Programs, all to provide resources for the Western Hills Viaduct project, (“Project”); and

WHEREAS, Hamilton County will provide matching resources up to \$3,500,000 for these grants, which requires Council authorization to accept and appropriate; and

WHEREAS, on January 20, 2022, Council approved Ordinance No. 8-2022 authorizing the City Manager to accept and deposit into Fund No. 401, “Transit Infrastructure Fund Grants,” grant resources totaling up to \$205,000,000 from the Southwest Ohio Regional Transit Authority (“SORTA”) Transit Infrastructure Fund program, with payments to be received over 25 years at a rate of \$8,200,000 annually for the Project; and

WHEREAS, under the terms of the project grant agreement executed December 8, 2023, between the City and SORTA, grant resources of up to \$205,000,000 from the SORTA Transit Infrastructure Fund will be disbursed in the following manner: \$16,400,000 will be deposited into Fund No. 401, “Transit Infrastructure Fund Grants,” followed by twelve annual installments of \$14,500,000 and one final payment of \$14,600,000, totaling up to \$188,600,000, will be assigned to the Transportation Improvement District or its Trustee to pay debt service and related costs on bonds issued for the Project; and

WHEREAS, in order to reconcile the difference in the payment schedule from Ordinance No. 8-2022 and the project grant agreement, it is necessary to amend Section 7 of Ordinance No. 8-2022; and

WHEREAS, Council authorization is required to transfer and appropriate up to \$8,200,000 from the unappropriated surplus of Fund No. 401, "Transit Infrastructure Fund Grants," to capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x222392, "Western Hills Viaduct Transit Grant"; and

WHEREAS, there are no new FTEs/full time equivalents associated with these grants; and

WHEREAS, the Project is in accordance with the "Connect" goal to "[d]evelop an efficient multi-modal transportation system that supports neighborhood livability" as well as the strategy to "[p]lan, design and implement a safe and sustainable transportation system" as described on pages 129-138 of Plan Cincinnati (2012); now, therefore,

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

Section 1. That the Director of Finance is authorized to establish new capital improvement program project account nos. 980x233x242372, "WHV OKI STBG 2020 HC Match," 980x233x242373, "WHV OKI STBG 2021 HC Match," 980x233x242374, "WHV TRAC 2021 HC Match," and 980x233x242375, "WHV Earmark 2022 HC Match."

Section 2. That the City Manager is authorized to accept and appropriate contributions from Hamilton County of up to \$3,500,000 to be used as fifty percent of the required local match for federal grants, in accordance with the attached Schedule of Appropriation.

Section 3. That the Director of Finance is authorized to deposit up to \$3,500,000 from Hamilton County to the various newly established capital improvement program project accounts as set forth in the attached Schedule of Appropriation.

Section 4. That Section 7 of Ordinance No. 8-2022, approved by Council on January 20, 2022, is amended as follows:

Section 7. That the City Manager is authorized to accept and deposit into Fund No. 401, "Transit Infrastructure Fund Grants," grant resources of up to \$205 million from the SORTA Transit Infrastructure Fund, which will be received over 25 years at a rate of \$8.2 million per year for the Western Hills Viaduct project in the following manner: \$16,400,000 to be deposited into Fund No. 401 "Transit Infrastructure Fund Grants," and twelve annual installments of \$14,500,000 and

one final payment of \$14,600,000, totaling up to \$188,600,000, to be assigned to the Transportation Improvement District or its Trustee to be used by the Transportation Improvement District or Trustee to pay debt service and related costs on bonds issued for the Western Hills Viaduct project.

Section 5. That all terms of Ordinance No. 8-2022 not amended by this ordinance remain in full force and effect.

Section 6. That the City Manager is authorized to transfer and appropriate up to \$8,200,000 from the unappropriated surplus of Fund No. 401, “Transit Infrastructure Fund Grants,” to existing capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x222392, “Western Hills Viaduct Transit Grant.”

Section 7. That the City Manager is authorized to do all things necessary and proper to enter into any agreements necessary for the receipt and administration of these resources.

Section 8. That the proper City officials are authorized to do all things necessary and proper to carry out the terms of these funding sources and Sections 1 through 7.

Section 9. That this ordinance shall be an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of 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 accept matching resources to meet established contractual deadlines.

Passed: _____, 2024

Aftab Pureval, Mayor

Attest: _____

Clerk

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SCHEDULE OF APPROPRIATION

Fund	Agency	PROJECT OR FUND TO BE TRANSFERRED TO NUMBER: DESCRIPTION	Original Authorization	Amount to be Increased	Revised Authorization
980	233	242372 WHV OKI STBG 2020 HC Match	\$0	\$125,000	\$125,000
980	233	242373 WHV OKI STBG 2021 HC Match	\$0	\$125,000	\$125,000
980	233	242374 WHV TRAC 2021 HC Match	\$0	\$3,125,000	\$3,125,000
980	233	242375 WHV Earmark 2022 HC Match	\$0	\$125,000	\$125,000
TOTAL			\$0	\$3,500,000	\$3,500,000

April 3, 2024

To: Mayor and Members of City Council 202400996

From: Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager

**Subject: Emergency Ordinance – DOTE: Local Major Bridge (LMB)
Program Grant for Hopple Street Viaduct**

Attached is an Emergency Ordinance captioned:

ESTABLISHING new capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x242378, “Hopple St Viaduct Preventative Maint – LMB,” to provide resources for the design, construction, and right-of-way acquisition associated with the major preventative maintenance work on the Hopple Street Viaduct; **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to accept and appropriate a grant up to \$9,040,000 from the Ohio Department of Transportation Local Major Bridge program (ALN 20.205) to newly established capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x242378, “Hopple St Viaduct Preventative Maint – LMB”; **AUTHORIZING** the Director of Finance to deposit the grant resources into capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x242378, “Hopple St Viaduct Preventative Maint – LMB”; and **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to execute any agreements necessary for the receipt and administration of these grant resources.

Approval of this Emergency Ordinance accomplishes the following:

1. establishes new capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x242378, “Hopple St Viaduct Preventative Maint – LMB,” to provide resources for the design, construction, and right-of-way acquisition associated with the major preventative maintenance work on the Hopple Street Viaduct;
2. authorizes the City Manager to accept and appropriate a \$9,040,000 grant from the Ohio Department of Transportation (“ODOT”) Local Major Bridge (“LMB”) program (ALN 20.205) to the newly established capital improvement program project account;
3. authorizes the Finance Director to deposit grant resources into the newly established capital improvement program project account; and
4. authorizes the City Manager to execute any agreements necessary for the receipt and administration of these grant resources.

On November 1, 2023, the City Council approved Ordinance No. 0361-2023, which authorized the City Manager to apply for a grant of up to \$10,000,000 from the ODOT LMB program to provide resources for design and construction services associated with major preventative maintenance work on the Hopple Street Viaduct. The City

was awarded up to \$9,040,000 for this project, and City Council authorization is required to accept and appropriate the grant award.

A local match of up to \$2,260,000 will be required during Fiscal Years 2025 through 2027, which is anticipated to be paid from existing and future “Maintenance Fund for Bridges” capital improvement program project accounts. There are no new FTEs/full time equivalents associated with this grant.

Performing major preventative maintenance work on the Hopple Street Viaduct is in accordance with the “Connect” goal to “[d]evelop an efficient multi-modal transportation system that supports neighborhood livability” and strategy to “[p]lan, design, and implement a safe and sustainable transportation system” as described on pages 129-138 of Plan Cincinnati (2012).

The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to authorize the City Manager to accept the grant award by the established deadline of April 12, 2024.

The Administration recommends passage of this Emergency Ordinance.

cc: Andrew M. Dudas, Budget Director
Karen Alder, Finance Director



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ESTABLISHING new capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x242378, “Hopple St Viaduct Preventative Maint – LMB,” to provide resources for the design, construction, and right-of-way acquisition associated with the major preventative maintenance work on the Hopple Street Viaduct; **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to accept and appropriate a grant up to \$9,040,000 from the Ohio Department of Transportation Local Major Bridge program (ALN 20.205) to newly established capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x242378, “Hopple St Viaduct Preventative Maint – LMB”; **AUTHORIZING** the Director of Finance to deposit the grant resources into capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x242378, “Hopple St Viaduct Preventative Maint – LMB”; and **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to execute any agreements necessary for the receipt and administration of these grant resources.

WHEREAS, on November 1, 2023, Council approved Ordinance No. 361-2023, which authorized the City Manager to apply for a grant of up to \$10,000,000 from the Ohio Department of Transportation Local Major Bridge (“LMB”) program to provide resources for design and construction services associated with major preventative maintenance work on the Hopple Street Viaduct; and

WHEREAS, the City was awarded up to \$9,040,000 for this project, and Council authorization is required to accept and appropriate the grant award; and

WHEREAS, the LMB program provides federal resources to counties and municipalities for bridge replacement, bridge rehabilitation, major bridge preventative maintenance, and bridge demolition projects up to \$20,000,000 for bridges defined as Local Major Bridges, which requires the structure to have deck areas larger than 15,000 square feet, which the Hopple Street Viaduct satisfies; and

WHEREAS, a local match of up to \$2,260,000 will be required during Fiscal Years 2025 through 2027, which is anticipated to be paid from existing and future “Maintenance Fund for Bridges” capital improvement program project accounts; and

WHEREAS, there are no new FTEs/full time equivalents associated with this grant; and

WHEREAS, performing major preventative maintenance work on the Hopple Street Viaduct is in accordance with the “Connect” goal to “[d]evelop an efficient multi-modal transportation system that supports neighborhood livability” and strategy to “[p]lan, design, and implement a safe and sustainable transportation system” as described on pages 129-138 of Plan Cincinnati (2012); now, therefore,

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

Section 1. That the Director of Finance is authorized to establish new capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x242378, “Hopple St Viaduct Preventative Maint – LMB,” to provide resources for the design, construction, and right-of-way acquisition associated with the major preventative maintenance work on the Hopple Street Viaduct.

Section 2. That the City Manager is authorized to accept and appropriate a grant of up to \$9,040,000 from the Ohio Department of Transportation Local Major Bridge program (ALN 20.205) to newly established capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x242378, “Hopple St Viaduct Preventative Maint – LMB.”

Section 3. That the Director of Finance is authorized to deposit the grant resources into capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x242378, “Hopple St Viaduct Preventative Maint – LMB.”

Section 4. That the City Manager is authorized to execute any agreements necessary for the receipt and administration of these grant resources.

Section 5. That the proper City officials are authorized to do all things necessary and proper to comply with the terms of the grant and Sections 1 through 4.

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 authorize the City Manager to accept the grant award by the established deadline of April 12, 2024.

Passed: _____, 2024

Aftab Pureval, Mayor

Attest: _____
Clerk

April 3, 2024

To: Mayor and Members of City Council
From: Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager
Subject: **Emergency Ordinance – DOTE: Urban Transit Program (UTP) Grant for Streetcar System**

202400997

Attached is an Emergency Ordinance captioned:

AUTHORIZING the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant of up to \$35,395 from the Ohio Urban Transit Program awarded by the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) to the Streetcar Operations Fund non-personnel operating budget account no. 455x236x7200 to provide funds for preventative maintenance on the streetcar system; and **AUTHORIZING** the Director of Finance to deposit the grant funds into Streetcar Operations Fund 455 revenue account no. 455x8534.

This Emergency Ordinance authorizes the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant of up to \$35,395 from the Ohio Urban Transit Program awarded by the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) to the Streetcar Operations Fund non-personnel operating budget account no. 455x236x7200 to provide resources for preventative maintenance on the streetcar system. This Emergency Ordinance also authorizes the Director of Finance to deposit the grant funds into Streetcar Operations Fund 455 revenue account no. 455x8534.

The City already applied for the grant and was awarded up to \$35,395 for preventative maintenance on the streetcar system, but no grant funds will be accepted without approval by the City Council. Acceptance of this grant requires no matching funds, and no new permanent FTEs/full time equivalents are associated with the acceptance of this grant.

Utilizing Ohio UTP resources to support the Connector streetcar is in accordance with the “Connect” goal to “[d]evelop an efficient multi-modal transportation system that supports neighborhood livability” as described on page 129 of Plan Cincinnati (2012).

The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to accept and expend grant funds within the current fiscal year.

The Administration recommends passage of this Emergency Ordinance.

cc: Andrew M. Dudas, Budget Director
Karen Alder, Finance Director

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AUTHORIZING the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant of up to \$35,395 from the Ohio Urban Transit Program awarded by the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) to the Streetcar Operations Fund non-personnel operating budget account no. 455x236x7200 to provide funds for preventative maintenance on the streetcar system; and **AUTHORIZING** the Director of Finance to deposit the grant funds into Streetcar Operations Fund 455 revenue account no. 455x8534.

WHEREAS, the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) has been delegated the authority to award state financial assistance for transit projects under the Ohio Urban Transit Program (“UTP”), and the City wishes to apply for available UTP grants and financial assistance; and

WHEREAS, the City is a direct recipient of Federal Transit Administration Section 5307 funds and is eligible to apply for financial assistance for the Connector streetcar project under the Ohio UTP; and

WHEREAS, acceptance of this grant requires no matching funds, and no new permanent FTEs/full time equivalents are associated with acceptance of this grant; and

WHEREAS, the City already applied for the grant and was awarded up to \$35,395 for preventative maintenance on the streetcar system, but no grant funds will be accepted without approval by Council; and

WHEREAS, utilizing Ohio UTP resources to support the Connector streetcar project is in accordance with the “Connect” goal to “[d]evelop an efficient multi-modal transportation system that supports neighborhood livability” as described on page 129 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 authorized to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant of up to \$35,395 from the Ohio Urban Transit Program awarded by the Ohio Department of Transportation (“ODOT”) to the Streetcar Operations Fund non-personnel operating budget account no. 455x236x7200 to provide funds for preventative maintenance on the streetcar system.

Section 2. That the City Manager is authorized to execute grant and cooperative agreements with ODOT on behalf of the City.

Section 3. That the Director of Finance is authorized to deposit the grant funds into Streetcar Operations Fund 455 revenue account no. 455x8534.

Section 4. That the proper City officials are authorized to do all things necessary and proper to carry out the terms of the grant and Sections 1 through 3.

Section 5. 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 accept and expend grant funds within the current fiscal year.

Passed: _____, 2024

Aftab Pureval, Mayor

Attest: _____
Clerk

April 3, 2024

To: Mayor and Members of City Council

From: Sheryl M.M. Long, City Manager

202401016

Subject: Hillside Overlay District Issue Spotting

Reference Document #202301262

The Climate, Environment & Infrastructure Committee, at its session on May 9, 2023, referred the following item for review and report:

MOTION, submitted by Councilmember Jeffreys, WE MOVE that the Administration report within thirty (30) days on the status of the updates the City is making to its hillside regulations. This update should include, but is not limited to, an update on:

- Funding sources to cover construction mishaps associated with construction within the hillside district.
- Regulations associated with stormwater runoff.
- Work that is being done to update CAGIS' Hillside Overlay District Map.

ORIGINS AND VALIDITY OF THE CAGIS HILLSIDE OVERLAY DISTRICT MAP

The CAGIS Hillside Overlay District Map was created and last updated in 2004 at the time of the adoption of the most recent Zoning Code. This map shows those areas of the City where the Hillside Overlay District regulations apply. The regulations guide development in existing hillside areas to ensure it is compatible with the natural environment and a quality urban environment. The regulations are especially focused on locations where the hillsides are of significant public value as determined by the City policy as outlined in the document "A Hillside Protection Strategy for Greater Cincinnati," 1991.

The Hillside Overlay District layer on CAGIS is typically applied to hillside areas where the existence of a 20% slope is combined with the KOPE geologic formation, the shale bedrock that is overlaid by colluvial soils. The layer was created through a digitization of the 1980 "Landslide Susceptibility Study and Map" prepared in 1980 by the consulting firm of Sowers and Dalrymple for the Department of Transportation and Engineering. This map divides the City of Cincinnati into four categories of landslide susceptibility: low, moderate, moderately high, and high. Most areas categorized as moderately high and high are included in the boundaries of the Hillside Overlay Districts. The map is also used by the Department of Buildings and Inspections to determine the need for further geotechnical investigation, requiring geotechnical involvement in areas categorized as moderately high and high.

This study is still considered to be an accurate portrayal of the landslide susceptibility in Cincinnati. If it is determined that further review of the 1980 Landslide Susceptibility Study and Map is warranted, allocation of funds to retain a consultant to perform this work is required.

FUNDING SOURCES

The City does not currently provide funding for construction mishaps associated with private development on private properties - either in a hillside area or otherwise. The Administration does not recommend committing public funds to this purpose and instead recommends focusing on updating or creating appropriate regulations to address the risk.

HILLSIDE DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS

Buildings & Inspections (B&I) convened several meetings of City agencies that regulate development of landslide prone properties, mostly found within Hillside Development Overlay zoning districts. The group identified multiple challenges with management of development within the landslide prone areas. These are summarized below:

- The Zoning Code presently expresses most of the City's aspirations and requirements for development on hillsides. While a GIS layer is a good tool to establish heightened development regulations, and zoning overlays are effective for guiding a community's design preferences for development, the zoning code is ill-suited to establish the associated construction standards and making engineering determinations.
- Damages from landslides are hard to predict, can be financially calamitous to the City and affected property owners, and nearly impossible to insure. A key consideration is to what degree the City should consider preventative strategies, including further studying our landslide susceptibility, preventing poor land management practices like clear-cutting, requiring notice of landslide susceptibility with deeds and property documents, and weighing whether some land is simply not suitable for development.
- Hillside-area specific minimum engineering and building standards do not currently exist and should be created to provide clear standards for hillside development.
- Best practices in mitigation of hillside development risks necessitate a closer examination of the management of stormwater, and the effectiveness and enforcement systems of current stormwater management regulations. This includes examining regulations regarding vegetation and clear-cut management, maximum impervious surface coverage, detention triggers on development and re-development, and detention design requirements.

Given the complexity of these interwoven challenges and the high potential for extensive impacts on development costs and patterns, the Administration proposes to undertake a long-term initiative to update associated law and regulation. Given the multi-department and even multi-government nature of this initiative, the need for extensive community engagement and iteration, and available resources for overseeing such an initiative, this process is expected to take one to two years. However, work is already underway on opportunity identification and changes will be rolled out and implemented throughout this long-term process, as to create more short-term improvement. The Administration will provide periodic updates to Council on the progress.

cc: William "Billy" Weber, Assistant City Manager
Art Dahlberg, Director of Buildings and Inspections
Katherine Keough-Jurs, Director of City Planning and Engagement

April 3, 2024

TO: Mayor and Members of Council

FROM: Sheryl M.M. Long, City Manager

202401017

SUBJECT: Fee Waivers for Community Organizations Applying for Zoning Map Amendments

Reference Document #202301902

The City Council at its session on September 13, 2023, adopted the following item:

MOTION, submitted by Vice Mayor Kearney, WE MOVE that the Department of Planning and Community Engagement waive the \$1,500 fee for First Baptist Church of Walnut Hills' application for historical landmark designation.

The Department of City Planning and Engagement oversees the City's urban planning functions, including the development and implementation of city and neighborhood plans and the development and oversight of amendments to the City's official zoning map. Changes to the zoning map are more commonly known as "zone changes." Zone changes may have many effects, including: (i) allowing a single parcel or several adjacent parcels to be used for a newly proposed land use, (ii) designating an area of adjacent parcels for desired future land uses, (iii) applying an overlay district over an area to provide special rules or protections (e.g., hillside or interim development control districts), or (iv) protecting a historic landmark or district.

The application for most zone changes has a fee of \$1,500, and certain specialized zone changes may have higher fees. These generally applicable fees cover a portion of the cost for staff time from the Department of City Planning and Engagement, the Law Department, and any other departments involved in the zone change process; printing and mailing of public notices; and any printing or other costs associated with the review of the application. All applicants are required to pay the application fee in order for the application to be deemed complete; however, an effective exemption from this fee is currently available if a City Councilmember agrees to sponsor the application of a community group as his or her own legislative proposal.

Community organizations frequently raise concerns that the City's application fees are prohibitive. They believe the fee makes it difficult for neighborhood leadership to proactively pursue the designation of potentially historic landmarks and districts, pursue zoning studies, or implement zone changes recommended in Neighborhood Plans. However, as noted, fees are an important source for recovering costs the City incurs in connection with the zone change process, and these fees are charged equally to all applicants because those costs are not otherwise budgeted.

In September 2023, Cincinnati City Council adopted the above Motion and Vice Mayor Kearney became a co-applicant for the application for the historic landmark designation of the First Baptist Church of Walnut Hills. Several City Council members requested that the City Administration propose a more permanent and sustainable solution to this issue.

The Department of City Planning and Engagement and the Law Department collaborated to consider a legally defensible solution. A preferred solution would balance the Administration's workload with the ability for recognized community organizations to pursue map and text amendments for the benefit of their community. To balance the competing interests outlined above, the Department of City Planning and Engagement will build into its annual work plan a number of zone changes in each calendar year. These zone changes, including the creation of historic landmarks and districts, may be requested by a recognized community organization (such as a Community Council or Community Development Corporation) as an initial means to implement an approved neighborhood plan or as part of a neighborhood plan process.

Zone changes under these circumstances would be provided at no cost to the requestor because they would be treated as part of the department's ordinary long-range planning process and not as one-off zone-change applications. Zone changes implemented through this process have the additional benefit of having been initially assessed by the City Planning Commission and City Council due to their inclusion in an approved city or neighborhood plan. Finally, this process will help communities implement their neighborhood plans while ensuring that the Department of City Planning and Engagement appropriately budgets within its administrative and operational capacity and costs to ensure its continued delivery of superior public services.

Also, this proposal would not remove the option for Council members to be co-applicants for other desired amendments not reflected in a Neighborhood Plan.

RECOMMENDATION

Beginning with the 2025 budget cycle, the Department of City Planning and Engagement will implement this process change by developing an annual work plan that incorporates a number of zone changes annually to implement this community plan-oriented approach within the department's long-range planning processes.

cc: William "Billy" Weber, Assistant City Manager
Katherine Keough-Jurs, FAICP, Director, Department of City Planning and Engagement

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A. LEGISLATIVE AGENT INFORMATION

- 1. Full Name Douglas Moormann
- 2. Occupation Consultant, Development Strategies Group
- 3. Title/Position Vice President
- 4. Business Address 700 Walnut Street Ste 450

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<u>Cincinnati</u>	<u>OH</u>	<u>45202</u>
City	State	Zip(+4)
- 5. Telephone Number (513) 651-4100
- 6. Date of Engagement as Legislative Agent March 27, 2024

B. EMPLOYER INFORMATION

- 1. Full name of company or organization Saul Urban/ 310 Race St. Partners
- 2. Type of Industry Real estate development
- 3. Business Address 7700 Old Georgetown Rd Ste. 700

	Street	Suite Number
<u>Bethesda</u>	<u>MD</u>	<u>20814</u>
City	State	Zip(+4)

C. BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE TYPE OF LEGISLATION TO WHICH LEGISLATIVE AGENT'S ENGAGEMENT RELATES.

Activites related to real estate development

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BY: _____
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 Title

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Signature of Legislative Agent

3/27/24

Date

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Partner

Title

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B. EMPLOYER INFORMATION CS Acquisition Vehicle; Attn:

1. Full name of company or organization Core Spaces
2. Type of Industry Real estate development
3. Business Address 1643 N. Milwaukee Ave 5th Floor

	Street	Suite Number
<u>Chicago</u>	<u>IL</u>	<u>60647</u>
City	State	Zip(+4)

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Activites related to real estate development

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D. CATEGORICAL LISTING OF PRINCIPAL BUSINESS OR ACTIVITY OF EMPLOYER. PLEASE CHECK ALL THAT ARE APPLICABLE.

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3-29-24

Date

DOUG TICHENOR

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Doug Tichenor

BY:

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Signature for Employer

Director & Vice President

Title

3/29/2024

Date

March 27, 2024

To: Mayor and Members of City Council

202400934

From: Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager

Subject: Ordinance – Cincinnati Fire Department (CFD): FY 2023 Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG)

Attached is an Ordinance captioned:

AUTHORIZING the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant of up to \$1,814,329 from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency, FY 2023 Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program (ALN 97.044) to provide resources for the purchase of a heavy rescue apparatus and for professional development training for career firefighters; and **AUTHORIZING** the Director of Finance to deposit the grant resources into Fire Grants and Donations Fund 472, revenue account no. 472x8542.

Approval of this Ordinance would authorize the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), FY 2023 Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program, (ALN 97.044) of up to \$1,814,329 to provide resources for the purchase of heavy rescue apparatus and for professional development training for career firefighters. This Ordinance further authorizes the Finance Director to deposit grant resources into Fire Grants and Donations Fund 472, revenue account no. 472x8542.

CFD will utilize grant resources to purchase a heavy rescue apparatus and cover backfill overtime for firefighters receiving professional development training through the CFD Officer Training Program or the CFD Fire Apparatus Operator Professional Development Course.

Acceptance of this grant requires a local cost-share match of \$164,940. \$120,624 of the local match will be provided from existing capital improvement program project account no. 980x272x242704, "Fire Equipment," and will be used to provide fire equipment necessary to outfit the heavy rescue apparatus. An additional \$44,316 of the local match will be provided from Cincinnati Fire Department General Fund operating budget account no. 050x271x7100 and will partially offset the backfill overtime costs associated with the officer training component.

There are no new FTEs/full time equivalents associated with the acceptance of this grant.

The City applied for the grant prior to the deadline of March 7, 2024, but no grant resources will be accepted without approval by the City Council.

Acceptance of this grant is in accordance with the "Live" goal to "[c]reate a more livable community" as described on pages 156-163 of Plan Cincinnati (2012).

The Administration recommends passage of this Ordinance.

cc: Andrew Dudas, Budget Director
Karen Alder, Finance Director

Attachment



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WHEREAS, a grant of up to \$1,814,329 is available from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency, FY 2023 Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program (ALN 97.044) to provide resources to purchase a heavy rescue apparatus and for professional development training for career firefighters; and

WHEREAS, the City intends to utilize the grant resources to purchase a heavy rescue apparatus for the Cincinnati Fire Department (“CFD”) and cover backfill overtime for firefighters receiving professional development training through the CFD Officer Training Program or the CFD Fire Apparatus Operator (FAO) Professional Development course; and

WHEREAS, acceptance of this grant requires a local cost share match of \$164,940; and

WHEREAS, \$120,624 of the local cost share match will be provided from existing capital improvement program project account no. 980x272x242704, “Fire Equipment,” and will be used to provide fire equipment necessary to outfit the heavy rescue apparatus; and

WHEREAS, \$44,316 of the local cost share match will be provided from Cincinnati Fire Department General Fund operating budget account no. 050x271x7100 and will partially offset the backfill overtime costs associated with the officer training component of the grant; and

WHEREAS, no new FTEs/full time equivalents are associated with acceptance of this grant; and

WHEREAS, the City applied for this grant prior to the deadline of March 7, 2024, but no grant funds will be accepted without approval by Council; and

WHEREAS, acceptance of this grant is in accordance with the “Live” goal to “[c]reate a more livable community” as described on pages 156-163 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 authorized to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant of up to \$1,814,329 from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency, FY 2023 Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program (ALN 97.044) to provide resources for the purchase of a heavy rescue apparatus and for professional development training for career firefighters.

Section 2. That the Director of Finance is authorized to deposit the grant resources into Fire Grants and Donations Fund 472, revenue account no. 472x8542.

Section 3. That the proper City officials are authorized to do all things necessary and proper to carry out the provisions of the grant and Sections 1 and 2.

Section 4. That this ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Passed: _____, 2024

Aftab Pureval, Mayor

Attest: _____
Clerk

March 27, 2024

To: Mayor and Members of City Council

202400935

From: Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager

Subject: Ordinance – HR: Talent for Tomorrow Digital Equity Challenge Grant

Attached is an Ordinance captioned:

AUTHORIZING the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant of \$150,000 from the Talent for Tomorrow Digital Equity Challenge through the United States Conference of Mayors in collaboration with Comcast’s Project UP to establish a paid cooperative program for information technology (IT) positions within the City’s Enterprise Technology Solutions (ETS) and Office of Performance and Data Analytics (OPDA); and **AUTHORIZING** the Director of Finance to deposit the grant funds into Citizens Jobs Fund revenue account no. 308x8571.

Approval of this Ordinance authorizes the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant of \$150,000 from the Talent for Tomorrow Digital Equity Challenge through the United States Conference of Mayors (USCM) in collaboration with Comcast’s Project UP to establish a paid cooperative program for information technology (IT) positions within the City’s Enterprise Technology Solutions (ETS) Department and the Office of Performance and Data Analytics (OPDA). This Ordinance further authorizes the Finance Director to deposit the grant funds into Citizens Jobs Fund revenue account no. 308x8571.

The City already applied for this grant on March 5, 2024, but no grant funds will be accepted without the approval of the City Council.

No local matching funds are required, and no new permanent FTEs/full time equivalents are associated with accepting this grant; however, the grant funds will be used to establish two to three paid temporary cooperative/intern positions within the City.

Acceptance of the Talent for Tomorrow Digital Equity Challenge grant is in accordance with the “Collaborate” goal to “[w]ork in synergy with the Cincinnati community” as described on pages 209-211 of Plan Cincinnati (2012).

The Administration recommends passage of this Ordinance.

cc: Andrew M. Dudas, Budget Director
Karen Alder, Finance Director

Attachment



AUTHORIZING the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant of \$150,000 from the Talent for Tomorrow Digital Equity Challenge through the United States Conference of Mayors in collaboration with Comcast’s Project UP to establish a paid cooperative program for information technology (IT) positions within the City’s Enterprise Technology Solutions (ETS) and Office of Performance and Data Analytics (OPDA); and **AUTHORIZING** the Director of Finance to deposit the grant funds into Citizens Jobs Fund revenue account no. 308x8571.

WHEREAS, a grant of \$150,000 is available from the Talent for Tomorrow Digital Equity Challenge through the United States Conference of Mayors in collaboration with Comcast’s Project UP to support the launch and expansion of local workforce and career readiness programs, close the skills and opportunity gap, advance economic mobility, and lay the foundation for generational wealth in under-resourced communities through digital access and skills training; and

WHEREAS, the City intends to utilize the grant resources to pay for two to three paid temporary cooperative/intern positions within the City; and

WHEREAS, this cooperative program will be facilitated in partnership with the University of Cincinnati, and grant resources may be utilized to cover the costs of an information technology (IT) certificate from a University of Cincinnati online program if the program participants are hired on a full-time permanent basis before the end of the three-year program; and

WHEREAS, cooperative program participants interested in working with the City on a full-time permanent basis would need to apply for job openings to fill existing vacancies; and

WHEREAS, acceptance of this grant requires no matching funds, and no new permanent FTEs/full time equivalents are associated with acceptance of this grant, however, the grant funds will be used to establish two to three paid temporary cooperative/intern positions within the City; and

WHEREAS, the City already applied for the grant on March 5, 2024, but no grant funds will be accepted without approval by Council; and

WHEREAS, acceptance of the Talent for Tomorrow Digital Equity Challenge grant is in accordance with the “Collaborate” goal to “[w]ork in synergy with the Cincinnati community” as described on pages 209-211 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 authorized to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant of \$150,000 from the Talent for Tomorrow Digital Equity Challenge through the United States Conference of Mayors in collaboration with Comcast’s Project UP to establish a paid cooperative program for information technology (IT) positions within the City’s Enterprise Technology Solutions (ETS) and Office of Performance and Data Analytics (OPDA).

Section 2. That the Director of Finance is authorized to deposit the grant funds into Citizens Jobs Fund revenue account no. 308x8571.

Section 3. That the proper City officials are authorized to do all things necessary and proper to carry out the terms of the grant and Sections 1 and 2.

Passed: _____, 2024

Aftab Pureval, Mayor

Attest: _____
Clerk

March 27, 2024

To: Mayor and Members of City Council 202400938
From: Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager
Subject: **Emergency Ordinance – CRC: Ohio River Trail ODNR Grant**

Attached is an Emergency Ordinance captioned:

AUTHORIZING the establishment of capital improvement program project account no. 980x199x241916, “Ohio River Trail – ODNR RTP Grant,” to provide grant resources for the construction of a foot trail connecting a segment of the Ohio River Trail into a complete loop; **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant of up to \$150,000 from the State of Ohio, Ohio Department of Natural Resources Recreation Trails Program (ALN 20.219) to newly established capital improvement program project account no. 980x199x241916, “Ohio River Trail – ODNR RTP Grant”; and **AUTHORIZING** the Finance Director to deposit the grant resources of up to \$150,000 into newly established capital improvement program project account no. 980x199x241916, “Ohio River Trail – ODNR RTP Grant.”

Approval of this Emergency Ordinance would authorize the establishment of capital improvement project account no. 980x199x241916, “Ohio River Trail – ODNR RTP Grant,” to provide grant resources for the construction of a foot trail connecting a segment of the Ohio River Trail (ORT) into a complete loop. Additionally, the Emergency Ordinance would authorize the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant in an amount up to \$150,000 from the State of Ohio, Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR) Recreation Trails Program (RTP), to capital improvement program project account no. 980x199x241916, “Ohio River Trail – ODNR RTP Grant.” Finally, the Emergency Ordinance authorizes the Finance Director to deposit the grant resources into capital improvement program project account no. 980x199x241916, “Ohio River Trail – ODNR RTP Grant.”

The Cincinnati Recreation Commission and River West Working Group partnered to submit a grant application to the ODNR to support the construction of a foot trail connecting a segment of the Ohio River Trail into a complete loop. The City has already applied for the grant, but no grant funds will be accepted without approval from the City Council.

The grant requires a local match of 20 percent, which will be provided from existing and future allocations to the “Outdoor Facility Renovations” and “Recreation Facility Improvements” capital improvement program project accounts. There are no new FTEs associated with this grant application.

Extending the Ohio River Trail is in accordance with the “Connect” goal to “[d]evelop an efficient multi-modal transportation system that supports neighborhood livability” and strategy to “[e]xpand options for non-automotive travel,” as well as the “Live” goal to “[c]reate a more livable community” and the strategy to “[b]ecome more walkable” as described on pages 129-134 and 156-159 respectively of Plan Cincinnati (2012).

The reason for the emergency is to ensure compliance with grant deadlines.

The Administration recommends passage of this Emergency Ordinance.

cc: Andrew M. Dudas, Budget Director
Karen Alder, Finance Director



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AUTHORIZING the establishment of capital improvement program project account no. 980x199x241916, “Ohio River Trail – ODNR RTP Grant,” to provide grant resources for the construction of a foot trail connecting a segment of the Ohio River Trail into a complete loop; **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant of up to \$150,000 from the State of Ohio, Ohio Department of Natural Resources Recreation Trails Program (ALN 20.219) to newly established capital improvement program project account no. 980x199x241916, “Ohio River Trail – ODNR RTP Grant”; and **AUTHORIZING** the Finance Director to deposit the grant resources of up to \$150,000 into newly established capital improvement program project account no. 980x199x241916, “Ohio River Trail – ODNR RTP Grant.”

WHEREAS, the Cincinnati Recreation Commission and River West Working Group partnered to submit a grant application to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources to support the construction of a foot trail connecting a segment of the Ohio River Trail into a complete loop; and

WHEREAS, the grant application deadline was March 15, 2024, and the City has already applied for the grant, but no grant funds will be accepted without approval by Council; and

WHEREAS, the grant requires a local match of twenty percent which will be provided from existing and future allocations to the “Outdoor Facility Renovations” and “Recreation Facility Improvements” capital improvement program project accounts; and

WHEREAS, there are no new FTEs/full time equivalents associated with this grant; and

WHEREAS, extending the Ohio River Trail is in accordance with the “Connect” goal to “[d]evelop an efficient multi-modal transportation system that supports neighborhood livability” and strategy to “[e]xpand options for non-automotive travel,” as well as the “Live” goal to “[c]reate a more livable community” and the strategy to “[b]ecome more walkable” as described on pages 129-134 and 156-159 respectively of Plan Cincinnati (2012); now, therefore,

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

Section 1. That capital improvement program project account no. 980x199x241916, “Ohio River Trail – ODNR RTP Grant,” is established to provide grant resources for the construction of a foot trail connecting a segment of the Ohio River Trail into a complete loop.

Section 2. That the City Manager is authorized to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant of up to \$150,000 from the State of Ohio, Ohio Department of Natural Resources Recreation Trails

Program (ALN 20.219) to newly established capital improvement program project account no. 980x199x241916, “Ohio River Trail – ODNR RTP Grant.”

Section 3. That the Director of Finance is authorized to deposit the grant resources into newly established capital improvement program project account no. 980x199x241916, “Ohio River Trail – ODNR RTP Grant.”

Section 4. That the proper City officials are authorized to do all things necessary and proper to carry out the terms of the grant and Sections 1 through 3.

Section 5. 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 to ensure compliance with grant deadlines.

Passed: _____, 2024

Aftab Pureval, Mayor

Attest: _____
Clerk

March 27, 2024

To: Mayor and Members of City Council

202400940

From: Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager

Subject: Ordinance – DOTE: River Road Crossings Safety Improvements

Attached is an Ordinance captioned:

ESTABLISHING capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x242347, “River Rd Crossings Safety Imprvmnts - CRISI,” for the purpose of rebuilding existing traffic signals with railroad pre-emption, making equipment improvements at grade crossings, and increasing storage capacity for vehicles exiting the Anderson Ferry onto River Road; **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to accept and appropriate grant resources of up to \$6,067,200 awarded by the U.S. Department of Transportation Federal Railroad Administration under the Consolidated Rail Infrastructure and Safety Improvements (CRISI) Program (ALN 20.325) to newly established capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x242347, “River Rd Crossings Safety Imprvmnts - CRISI”; and **AUTHORIZING** the Director of Finance to deposit the grant resources into capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x242347, “River Rd Crossings Safety Imprvmnts - CRISI.”

Approval of this Ordinance establishes capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x242347, “River Rd Crossing Safety Imprvmnts – CRISI,” to rebuild existing traffic signals with railroad pre-emption, make equipment improvements at grade crossings, and increase storage capacity for vehicles exiting the Anderson Ferry onto River Road. This Ordinance also authorizes the City Manager to accept and appropriate grant resources up to \$6,067,200 from the CRISI Program (ALN 20.325) to new capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x242347, “River Rd Crossing Safety Imprvmnts – CRISI.” Finally, this Ordinance authorizes the Finance Director to deposit grant resources into the capital improvement program project account.

The CRISI grant requires matching resources of up to \$1,516,800, which is available in capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x232306, “Street Improvements.” No new FTEs/full time equivalents are associated with acceptance of these grant resources.

The River Road Highway/Rail Grade Crossing Safety Improvements project is in accordance with the “Connect” goal to “[d]evelop a regional transportation system that promotes economic vitality” and strategy to “[s]upport regional and intercity transportation initiatives” as described on pages 139 - 145 of Plan Cincinnati (2012).

The Administration recommends passage of this Ordinance.

cc: Andrew M. Dudas, Budget Director
Karen Alder, Finance Director

Attachment



ESTABLISHING capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x242347, “River Rd Crossings Safety Imprvmnts - CRISI,” for the purpose of rebuilding existing traffic signals with railroad pre-emption, making equipment improvements at grade crossings, and increasing storage capacity for vehicles exiting the Anderson Ferry onto River Road; **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to accept and appropriate grant resources of up to \$6,067,200 awarded by the U.S. Department of Transportation Federal Railroad Administration under the Consolidated Rail Infrastructure and Safety Improvements (CRISI) Program (ALN 20.325) to newly established capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x242347, “River Rd Crossings Safety Imprvmnts - CRISI”; and **AUTHORIZING** the Director of Finance to deposit the grant resources into capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x242347, “River Rd Crossings Safety Imprvmnts - CRISI.”

WHEREAS, on October 27, 2021, Council approved Ordinance No. 409-2021, which authorized the City Manager to apply for grants awarded by the U.S. Department of Transportation Federal Railroad Administration under the Consolidated Rail Infrastructure and Safety Improvements (“CRISI”) Program (ALN 20.325) to ensure the timely completion of various road and at-grade rail crossing signalization construction projects throughout Cincinnati on U.S. Route 50; and

WHEREAS, the City was awarded up to \$6,067,200 under the CRISI Program for the River Road Highway/Rail Grade Crossing Safety Improvements Project; and

WHEREAS, the City’s Department of Transportation and Engineering intends to use these grant resources to rebuild four existing traffic signals with railroad preemption, including all associated railroad equipment along River Road at grade crossings at Barkley Avenue, Access Road, Anderson Ferry Road, and 5400 River Road; and

WHEREAS, Council authorization is required to accept and appropriate these grant resources; and

WHEREAS, the CRISI grant requires matching resources of up to \$1,516,800, which are available for this purpose in capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x232306, “Street Improvements”; and

WHEREAS, no new FTEs/full time equivalents are associated with acceptance of these grant resources; and

WHEREAS, acceptance of these resources to complete the River Road Highway/Rail Grade Crossing Safety Improvements Project is in accordance with the “Connect” goal to “[d]evelop a regional transportation system that promotes economic vitality” and strategy to “[s]upport regional and intercity transportation initiatives” as described on pages 139 - 145 of Plan Cincinnati (2012); now, therefore,

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

Section 1. That capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x242347, “River Rd Crossings Safety Imprvmnts - CRISI,” is established for the purpose of rebuilding existing traffic signals with railroad pre-emption, making equipment improvements at grade crossings, and increasing storage capacity for vehicles exiting the Anderson Ferry onto River Road.

Section 2. That the City Manager is authorized to accept and appropriate grant resources of up to \$6,067,200 awarded by the U.S. Department of Transportation Federal Railroad Administration under the Consolidated Rail Infrastructure and Safety Improvements (CRISI) Program (ALN 20.325) to newly established capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x242347, “River Rd Crossings Safety Imprvmnts - CRISI.”

Section 3. That the Director of Finance is authorized to deposit the grant resources into capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x242347, “River Rd Crossings Safety Imprvmnts - CRISI.”

Section 4. That the proper City officials are authorized to do all things necessary and proper to carry out the terms of the grant and Sections 1 through 3.

Section 5. That this ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Passed: _____, 2024

Aftab Pureval, Mayor

Attest: _____
Clerk

202400909

Date: March 27, 2024

To: Councilmember Meeka Owens
From: Emily Smart Woerner, City Solicitor *EESW*
Subject: **Emergency Ordinance –Donations for Human Services Day**

Transmitted herewith is an emergency ordinance captioned as follows:

AUTHORIZING the City Manager and the employees of the Office of Councilmember Owens to solicit and accept donations of money, in-kind contributions, and other things of value from the Cincinnati business community, individual benefactors, and other available sources to host Human Services Day; and **AUTHORIZING** the Director of Finance to deposit funds donated to the City for Human Services Day into Fund No. 314, “Special Events.”

EESW/CNS(dmm)
Attachment
399159



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City of Cincinnati

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An Ordinance No. _____

- 2024

AUTHORIZING the City Manager and the employees of the Office of Councilmember Owens to solicit and accept donations of money, in-kind contributions, and other things of value from the Cincinnati business community, individual benefactors, and other available sources to host Human Services Day; and **AUTHORIZING** the Director of Finance to deposit funds donated to the City for Human Services Day into Fund No. 314, “Special Events.”

WHEREAS, Human Services Day is sponsored by Councilmember Owens to connect the community with City departments, social service agencies, community organizations, and other groups to provide information, resources, and services that promote resiliency and sustainability in neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, Human Services Day will be held on May 18, 2024 and September 28, 2024, as well as on dates to be determined in future years; and

WHEREAS, Human Services Day is in accordance with the “Live” goal to “[c]reate a more livable community” and strategy to “[s]upport and stabilize our neighborhoods” as described on pages 156 and 160-162 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 and the employees of the Office of Councilmember Owens are authorized to solicit and accept donations of money, in-kind contributions, and other things of value to host Human Services Day.

Section 2. That the Director of Finance is authorized to deposit any funds donated to the City for Human Services Day into Fund No. 314, “Special Events.”

Section 3. That the proper City officials are authorized to do all things necessary and proper to carry out the terms of Sections 1 and 2.

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 immediate need to provide resources to prepare for Human Services Day.

Passed: _____, 2024

Aftab Pureval, Mayor

Attest: _____
Clerk



202400924

Jan-Michele Lemon Kearney
Vice Mayor

MOTION

WE MOVE that Cincinnati City Council reallocate and approve the transfer of one million dollars (\$1,000,000) from the Housing Stability Capital Account to the General Fund to provide payment assistance to eligible Cincinnati homeowners for past due property taxes for owner-occupied 1-4 family residences.

To qualify for assistance, the applicant-homeowner's residence must be located within the City of Cincinnati, the residence must be the applicant-homeowner's primary residence, and the applicant-homeowner's household must have an annual income at or below 80% Area Median Income (Ex. Annual income of \$65,040 or below for a family of four).

Given that these are emergency funds, we ask the administration to develop a streamlined 10-day process for application to receipt of funds. In addition, we ask for recommendations for a source of ongoing funding to assist with payment of delinquent property taxes in the future to prevent our low- and moderate-income families from losing their homes.

Mayor Aftab Pureval

Councilmember Mark Jeffreys

Vice Mayor Jan-Michele Lemon Kearney

STATEMENT

Many of our low- and moderate-income residents are struggling financially due to recent increases in property taxes. According to the Hamilton County Recorder's Office, delinquent property taxes in the City of Cincinnati currently total approximately \$3.2 million. The Attachment to this Motion shows a neighborhood breakdown of delinquent property taxes. Our goal is to keep residents in their homes and prevent them from having to choose between paying for their homes and purchasing other necessities of life.

A recent article in *The Cincinnati Enquirer* reported that there has been a historic 34 percent increase in residential property values in Hamilton County, and an overall 15 percent increase in property taxes. "But in some neighborhoods – especially in some poor and working-class neighborhoods in the city of Cincinnati – the tax increase nearly matched the hike in values, making those some of the unluckiest homeowners in Hamilton County." (*Ohio homeowners reeling from Hamilton County's new property values_cincinnati.com*, Feb. 13, 2024) "Statewide, the poorest fifth of Ohio homeowners pay more than triple their share of income in property taxes compared to the richest 1% of homeowners, according to the Institute on Taxation & Economic Policy, a Washington D.C.-based think-tank."

Councilmember Jeffreys has convened a task force that will look at recommendations and possible solutions for the rising property taxes that are affecting our residents, while keeping in mind, tax rates are set by the State of Ohio, and not the City of Cincinnati.

ATTACHMENT
Delinquent Property Taxes in the City of Cincinnati (March 2024)

Neighborhood	Count	Total
AVONDALE	78	\$ 205,157.81
BOND HILL	59	\$ 144,618.61
CALIFORNIA	3	\$ 9,321.96
CAMP WASHINGTON	2	\$ 3,304.67
CARTHAGE	22	\$ 45,683.06
CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT	1	\$ 146.15
CLIFTON	7	\$ 78,395.95
COLLEGE HILL	64	\$ 203,602.36
COLUMBIA TUSCULUM	7	\$ 17,493.77
CORRYVILLE	4	\$ 10,998.81
CUF	9	\$ 24,872.58
EAST END	10	\$ 32,988.28
EAST PRICE HILL	94	\$ 222,753.43
EAST WALNUT HILLS	16	\$ 73,197.17
EAST WESTWOOD	8	\$ 5,652.06
ENGLISH WOODS	3	\$ 10,533.95
EVANSTON	59	\$ 156,280.10
HARTWELL	19	\$ 31,647.42
HYDE PARK	21	\$ 142,287.14
KENNEDY HEIGHTS	33	\$ 54,958.22
LINWOOD	4	\$ 16,954.58
LOWER PRICE HILL	13	\$ 16,691.88
MADISONVILLE	35	\$ 105,562.18
MILLVALE	4	\$ 7,109.25
MT ADAMS	2	\$ 12,687.13
MT AIRY	16	\$ 44,903.11
MT AUBURN	23	\$ 75,957.06
MT LOOKOUT	11	\$ 138,256.00
MT WASHINGTON	31	\$ 78,291.91
NORTH AVONDALE	16	\$ 117,966.22
NORTH FAIRMONT	23	\$ 44,959.67
NORTHSIDE	49	\$ 110,752.48
OAKLEY	9	\$ 44,558.95
OVER THE RHINE	6	\$ 17,642.30
PADDOCK HILLS	6	\$ 15,692.56
PLEASANT RIDGE	12	\$ 58,849.49
RIVERSIDE	11	\$ 16,800.85
ROSELAWN	17	\$ 46,346.36
SAYLER PARK	17	\$ 35,146.31
SEDAMSVILLE	11	\$ 16,959.62
SOUTH CUMMINSVILLE	14	\$ 21,316.33
SOUTH FAIRMOUNT	53	\$ 88,846.80
SPRING GROVE VILLAGE	18	\$ 26,874.67
WALNUT HILLS	28	\$ 67,817.12
WEST END	11	\$ 26,028.21
WEST PRICE HILL	83	\$ 202,634.37
WESTWOOD	101	\$ 306,898.15
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Grand Total	1143	\$ 3,236,397.06

Date: March 27, 2024

To: Mayor and Members of City Council 202400936
From: Sheryl M.M. Long, City Manager
Subject: **Emergency Legislative Resolution – Objection to Renewal of Midwest Textiles Warehouse LLC d/b/a Drip Coffee Lounge’s Liquor Permit**

Transmitted herewith is an emergency legislative resolution captioned as follows:

OBJECTING to the renewal of the D5J, D6 class liquor permit number 5931167 applied for by Midwest Textiles Warehouse LLC d/b/a Drip Coffee Lounge to the Ohio Division of Liquor Control.

This resolution is necessary under R.C. 4303.271 for Cincinnati City Council to object to the renewal of Midwest Textiles Warehouse LLC d/b/a Drip Coffee Lounge’s liquor permit as recommended by the Cincinnati Police Department.

cc: Emily Smart Woerner, City Solicitor

EESW/DML(dmm)
Attachment
399060

EMERGENCY

Legislative Resolution

DML

RESOLUTION NO. _____ - 2024

OBJECTING to the renewal of the D5J and D6 liquor permit number 5931167 applied for by Midwest Textiles Warehouse, LLC d/b/a Drip Coffee Lounge to the Ohio Division of Liquor Control.

WHEREAS, Midwest Textiles Warehouse, LLC d/b/a Drip Coffee Lounge has applied for the renewal of the D5J and D6 liquor permit number 5931167 for the premises located at 2927 Colerain Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio 45225; and

WHEREAS, the Council of the City of Cincinnati objects to the application for the above permit for the reasons set forth in Section 1 hereof; now, therefore,

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

Section 1. That the Council of the City of Cincinnati objects to the application of Midwest Textiles Warehouse, LLC d/b/a Drip Coffee Lounge located at 2927 Colerain Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio 45225 for the annual renewal of the D5J and D6 liquor permit number 5931167 for the following reasons:

1. The applicant has operated the liquor permit business in a manner that demonstrates a disregard for the laws, regulations, and local ordinances of this state; and
2. The permit premises are so located with respect to the neighborhood that renewal of the permit would cause substantial interference with the public decency, sobriety, peace, and good order of the neighborhood.

Section 2. That Council requests a hearing on the above application be held in the City of Cincinnati, Hamilton County, Ohio, where the applicant's business is conducted, and which is the county seat.

Section 3. That Council hereby designates the City Solicitor or any of the City Solicitor's assistants to represent Council at any hearings pertaining to this application.

Section 4. That two certified copies of this resolution and the attached City Solicitor's statement that this objection is based upon substantial legal grounds be forwarded by the Clerk of Council by registered or certified mail to the Superintendent of the Ohio Division of Liquor Control at 6606 Tussing Road, Reynoldsburg, Ohio 43068.

Section 5. That this legislative resolution 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 to transmit this objection to the Ohio Division of Liquor Control at least thirty days prior to the permit's expiration on June 1, 2024.

Passed: _____, 2024

Aftab Pureval, Mayor

Attest: _____
Clerk

March 27, 2024

Re: Midwest Textiles LLC d/b/a Drip Coffee Lounge
2927 Colerain Avenue
Cincinnati, Ohio 45225

Liquor Permit #: 5931167
Class: D5J, D6

It is the opinion of the City Solicitor, as chief legal officer for the City of Cincinnati, that Cincinnati City Council's objection to the renewal of the above permit is based upon substantial legal grounds within the meaning and intent of division R.C. 4303.292(A).

Emily Smart Woerner
City Solicitor



Scotty Johnson
Councilmember

Motion

WE MOVE that the City Administration remain committed to the terms of the Plush settlement and additional improvements at the Emergency Communications Center (ECC) that enhance the center's operation and staff morale, including ongoing support of the recently established Peer Support Team, a Quality Assurance program, and efforts to achieve the status of an accredited center.

WE FURTHER MOVE that the City Administration remain dedicated to continuous improvement of ECC, leveraging data to identify areas of improvement and implementing strategies to enhance performance, with regular and transparent public reporting.



Councilmember Scotty Johnson

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