

March 1, 2023

To: Mayor and Members of City Council 202300707

From: Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager

Subject: **Emergency Ordinance – Fire: Capital Resources Transfer for Fleet Change Orders**

Attached is an Emergency Ordinance captioned:

AUTHORIZING the transfer and return to source of the sum of \$22,508 from capital improvement program project account no. 980x272x232704, “Fire Equipment,” to the unappropriated surplus of Income Tax Permanent Improvement Fund 758; and further **AUTHORIZING** the transfer and appropriation of \$22,508 from the unappropriated surplus of Income Tax Permanent Improvement Fund 758 to capital improvement program project account no. 980x981x232505, “Fleet Replacements,” for the purpose of providing resources to purchase additional safety features on fire apparatus.

Approval of this Emergency Ordinance authorizes the transfer of \$22,508 from existing Cincinnati Fire Department (CFD) capital improvement program project account no. 980x272x232704, “Fire Equipment,” to the existing Department of Public Services (DPS) capital improvement program project account no. 980x981x232505, “Fleet Replacements,” for the purpose of providing resources for additional safety features on fire apparatus.

CFD ordered new vehicles utilizing FY 2023 Capital Budget dollars allocated to DPS Division of Fleet Services. While observing the construction of the ordered vehicles, minor safety enhancements were identified as necessities to ensure firefighter safety. Fleet Services does not have additional capital resources available to cover the additional costs related to change orders. The Fire Department is committing existing capital resources in their budget to purchase the additional safety features.

The transfer of resources to purchase additional safety features on Fire Apparatus is in accordance with the “Sustain” goal to “[m]anage our financial resources” and strategy to “[b]etter coordinate our capital improvement spending” as described on pages 199-201 of Plan Cincinnati (2012).

The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to transfer capital resources and process the necessary change orders to complete the acquisition of the new fire apparatus.

The Administration recommends passage of this Emergency Ordinance.

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

Attachment

