

## EMERGENCY

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- 2026

**ESTABLISHING** new capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x262350, “Ridge Avenue Rehabilitation MTIF Grant 2,” to provide resources to restore deteriorating pavement along Ridge Avenue in the Oakley and Pleasant Ridge neighborhoods; **ESTABLISHING** new capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x262352, “Elm and Main Street MTIF Grant,” to provide resources to construct replacement track drains along the streetcar alignment in the Central Business District and Over-the-Rhine neighborhoods; **ESTABLISHING** new capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x262355, “Hopple Street Viaduct PID 121735 MTIF Grant,” to provide resources to replace expansion joints and wearing surface along the Hopple Street viaduct in the Camp Washington, North Fairmount, and Millvale neighborhoods; **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to accept a grant of up to \$4,559,000 from the Southwest Ohio Regional Transit Authority (“SORTA”) Metro Transit Infrastructure Fund (“MTIF”); **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to appropriate SORTA MTIF grant resources as follows: (1) up to \$3,000,000 to newly established capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x262350, “Ridge Avenue Rehabilitation MTIF Grant 2”; (2) up to \$560,000 to newly established capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x262352, “Elm and Main Street MTIF Grant”; and (3) up to \$999,000 to newly established capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x262355, “Hopple Street Viaduct PID 121735 MTIF Grant”; **AUTHORIZING** the Director of Finance to deposit SORTA MTIF grant resources as follows: (1) up to \$3,000,000 to newly established capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x262350, “Ridge Avenue Rehabilitation MTIF Grant 2”; (2) up to \$560,000 to newly established capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x262352, “Elm and Main Street MTIF Grant”; and (3) up to \$999,000 to newly established capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x262355, “Hopple Street Viaduct PID 121735 MTIF Grant”; and **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to enter into any agreements necessary for the receipt and administration of these grant resources.

WHEREAS, on May 29, 2025, Council passed Ordinance No. 144-2025, which authorized the City Manager to apply for Southwest Ohio Regional Transit Authority (“SORTA”) Metro Transit Infrastructure Fund (“MTIF”) grant resources as well as other grant resources for various City road, bridge, pedestrian, and bicycle construction projects; and

WHEREAS, the City has been awarded up to \$4,559,000 from the SORTA MTIF, and Council’s authorization is now required to accept and appropriate the grant resources awarded to the City; and

WHEREAS, this grant requires matching funds for each project, as follows: Ridge Avenue rehabilitation requires \$3,500,000 in matching resources, Hopple Street preventative maintenance requires \$7,914,167 in matching resources, and Elm Street to Main Street improvements require \$140,000 in matching resources; and

WHEREAS, matching resources for each of these projects are available through existing capital improvement project accounts and previously accepted grants; and

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

WHEREAS, street and pavement improvements, rehabilitation, and preventative maintenance are 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 129-137 of Plan Cincinnati (2012); now, therefore,

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

Section 1. That new capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x262350, “Ridge Avenue Rehabilitation MTIF Grant 2,” is established to provide resources to restore deteriorating pavement along Ridge Avenue in the Oakley and Pleasant Ridge neighborhoods.

Section 2. That new capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x262352, “Elm and Main Street MTIF Grant,” is established to provide resources to construct replacement track drains along the streetcar alignment in the Central Business District and Over-the-Rhine neighborhoods.

Section 3. That new capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x262355, “Hopple Street Viaduct PID 121735 MTIF Grant,” is established to provide resources to replace expansion joints and wearing surface along the Hopple Street viaduct in the Camp Washington, North Fairmount, and Millvale neighborhoods.

Section 4. That the City Manager is authorized to accept a grant of up to \$4,559,000 from the Southwest Ohio Regional Transit Authority (“SORTA”) Metro Transit Infrastructure Fund (“MTIF”) to provide resources to restore deteriorating pavement along Ridge Avenue in the Oakley and Pleasant Ridge neighborhoods, construct replacement track drains along the streetcar alignment in the Central Business District and Over-the-Rhine neighborhoods and replace expansion joints and wearing surface along the Hopple Street viaduct in the Camp Washington, North Fairmount, and Millvale neighborhoods.

Section 5. That the City Manager is authorized to appropriate SORTA MTIF grant resources as follows: (1) up to \$3,000,000 to newly established capital improvement program project account

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Section 6. That the Director of Finance is authorized to deposit the grant resources as follows: (1) up to \$3,000,000 to newly established capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x262350, “Ridge Avenue Rehabilitation MTIF Grant 2”; (2) up to \$560,000 to newly established capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x262352, “Elm and Main Street MTIF Grant”; and (3) up to \$999,000 to newly established capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x262355, “Hopple Street Viaduct PID 121735 MTIF Grant.”

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

Section 8. 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 7.

Section 9. 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 ensure timely acceptance of awarded grant funds and to meet established project deadlines.

Passed: \_\_\_\_\_, 2026

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Aftab Pureval, Mayor

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk