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The request of my budget priorities is due prior to the completion of department budget presentations in Budget & Finance Committee. Below is my draft list and I will provide a final draft once the remaining presentations are completed.

- CPD: maximum capacity of recruiting classes; support efforts to recruit quality candidates;
 funding to address concerns in the community survey including combating youth gun
 violence and the work of CGIC; increase traffic enforcement
- CFD: maximum capacity of recruiting classes; support efforts to recruit quality candidates; funding to address concerns over gender disparities within the department
- DPS: efforts to recruit and retain staffing levels; funding to address concerns in the community survey including potholes, litter, and illegal dumping
- DOTE: pedestrian safety, traffic calming, traffic safety, and road improvements
- OPDA: an additional FTE the work of OPDA results in better management and efficiencies, resulting in more effective use of tax dollars city-wide; support critical work including performance management, SIET, CSR, and financial empowerment research and programs.
- Hackathon: The hackathon aims to drive innovation while solving government challenges.
 NOTE: The hackathon was removed from leveraged support as it is primarily run by OPDA and keeping it in the city budget (rather than leveraged support) maintains city control.
- IT Infrastructure: Invest in the city's IT infrastructure to increase efficiencies and update
 programs; expand OnBase software to move departments off of email and paperwork and
 into workflow automation to improve efficiencies and data collection; update, expand and
 improve CAGIS; improve and expand CSR/311 for better data collection and user experience
- SBU + Overland Flooding Prevention: support work within MSD, GCWW, OES, B&I, and others to manage and respond to extreme storms.
- CRC: programs to recruit and retain staffing levels to keep every CRC pool open for the full season; Youth 2 Work, Career Pathways, childcare programs

- Workforce Development: prioritize leveraged funding for partnerships that support workforce development, economic development, and job creation.
- Industrial Strategy: Support projects with DCED, Port, and REDI to bring advanced manufacturing to Cincinnati; remove blight; prepare sites to compete for business
- MBE + WBE support: prioritize in industries in which city, county, state, and federal dollars
 are spent particularly development, construction, advanced manufacturing, and tech
- Maintain Reserve Funds
- Deferred Maintenance

Sincerely,

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