

March 9, 2022

To: Mayor and Members of City Council

From: John P. Curp, Interim City Manager *JPC* 202200589

Subject: Ordinance – Cincinnati Recreation Commission (CRC): Summer Learning & Afterschool Opportunities Grant

Attached is an Ordinance captioned:

AUTHORIZING the City Manager to apply for grant resources from the Ohio Department of Education’s Summer Learning and Afterschool Opportunities Grant in an amount up to \$500,000 to allow the Cincinnati Recreation Commission (“CRC”) to purchase curriculum that centers around social-emotional learning and trauma-informed care to better assist CRC’s summer camp and afterschool program participants in navigating life experiences.

Approval of this Ordinance would authorize the City Manager to apply for grant resources in an amount of up to \$500,000 from the Ohio Department of Education’s Summer Learning and Afterschool Opportunities Grant to allow the Cincinnati Recreation Commission (“CRC”) to purchase curriculum that centers around social emotional learning and trauma informed care to better assist CRC’s summer camp and afterschool program participants in navigating life experiences.

The CRC intends to apply for the Summer Learning and Afterschool Opportunities Grant in two separate categories -- Afterschool Expand, in an amount of up to \$300,000, and Summer Expand, in an amount of up to \$200,000. The CRC plans to partner with Cincinnati Public Schools (CPS) and Sound Mind Counseling in using this curriculum. Due to the February 22, 2022 grant deadline, the CRC will apply for this grant prior to the effective date of this ordinance. If the City Council does not authorize the grant application, then it will be withdrawn. There are no FTEs associated with the grant. The grant requires no matching funds.

Applying for grant resources to support CRC's Summer Camp and Afterschool programming is in accordance with the “collaborate” goal to “work in synergy with the Cincinnati community” and strategy to “unite our communities” as described on pages 209-212 of Plan Cincinnati (2012).

The Administration recommends passage of this Ordinance.

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

Attachment

