

June 3, 2026

To: Mayor and Members of City Council
From: Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager
Subject: **Emergency Ordinance – Parks: Parks Foundation Grant for Riverfront Security**

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Attached is an Emergency Ordinance captioned:

AUTHORIZING the City Manager to accept and appropriate a grant of \$56,151 from the Cincinnati Parks Foundation to Cincinnati Riverfront Park Fund non-personnel operating budget account no. 329x202x7200 to reimburse the Cincinnati Parks Department for costs incurred for additional security at Riverfront Park from July 2025 to September 2025; and **AUTHORIZING** the Director of Finance to deposit the grant funds into Fund 329, “Cincinnati Riverfront Park Fund,” revenue account no. 329x8571.

Approval of this Emergency Ordinance authorizes the City Manager to accept and appropriate a grant of \$56,151 from the Cincinnati Parks Foundation to Cincinnati Riverfront Park Fund non-personnel operating budget account no. 329x202x7200 to reimburse the Cincinnati Parks Department for costs incurred for additional security at Riverfront Park between July 2025 to September 2025. This Emergency Ordinance also authorizes the Director of Finance to deposit the grant funds into Cincinnati Riverfront Park Fund revenue account no. 329x8571.

The Park Board accepted this grant at its July 17, 2025 regular meeting.

This grant does not require matching funds or new FTEs/full time equivalents.

Providing needed security details at Riverfront Park is in accordance with the “Live” goal to “[b]uild a robust public life” and strategy to “[d]evelop and maintain inviting and engaging public spaces to encourage social interaction between different types of people” as well as the “Collaborate” goal to “[w]ork in synergy with the Cincinnati community” and the strategy to “[u]nite our communities” as described on pages 149-151 and 209-211 of Plan Cincinnati (2012).

The reason for the emergency is the need to finalize reimbursement of these resources prior to the end of the fiscal year.

The Administration recommends passage of this Emergency Ordinance.

cc: Andrew Dudas, Budget Director
Steve Webb, Finance Director



Attachment