



City of Cincinnati

Budget and Finance Committee

Meeting Minutes

Chairperson Reggie Harris
Vice Chair Jeff Cramerding
Councilmember Mark Jeffreys
Councilmember Scotty Johnson
Vice Mayor Jan-Michele Kearney
Councilmember Anna Albi
Councilmember Meeka Owens
Councilmember Seth Walsh
President Pro Tem Victoria Parks

Monday, April 1, 2024

1:00 PM

Council Chambers, Room 300

ROLL CALL

Present: Anna Albi
Jan-Michele Kearney
Jeff Cramerding
Meeka Owens
Reggie Harris
Scotty Johnson
Seth Walsh
Victoria Parks

Excused: Mark Jeffreys

The meeting began at 1:03 p.m.. and ended at 3:36 p.m. Also in attendance were Erica Faaborg from Law, Dr Andrew Dudas from Budget & Evaluation and Director Karen Alder from Finance.

REVISED

DEPARTMENT BUDGET PRESENTATIONS

CITIZEN COMPLAINT AUTHORITY, Dena Brown, Interim Director
CINCINNATI PARKS DEPARTMENT, Jason Barron, Director
METROPOLITAN SEWER DISTRICT, Diana Christy, Director
**CINCINNATI HEALTH DEPARTMENT, Dr. Grant Mussman, Health
Commissioner**

ENTERPRISE TECHNOLOGY SOLUTIONS, Sean Ware, Director
DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES, Latisha Hazell, Director

AGENDA

GRANTS AND DONATIONS

1. ORDINANCE, submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 3/27/2024, AUTHORIZING the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant of up to \$1,814,329 from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency, FY 2023 Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program (ALN 97.044) to provide resources for the purchase of a heavy rescue apparatus and for professional development training for career firefighters; and AUTHORIZING the Director of Finance to deposit the grant resources into Fire Grants and Donations Fund 472, revenue account no. 472x8542.
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Recommend Passage
2. ORDINANCE, submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 3/27/2024 AUTHORIZING the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant of \$150,000 from the Talent for Tomorrow Digital Equity Challenge through the United States Conference of Mayors in collaboration with Comcast's Project UP to establish a paid cooperative program for information technology (IT) positions within the City's Enterprise Technology Solutions (ETS) and Office of Performance and Data Analytics (OPDA); and AUTHORIZING the Director of Finance to deposit the grant funds into Citizens Jobs Fund revenue account no. 308x8571.
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Recommend Passage
3. ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY), submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 3/27/2024, AUTHORIZING the establishment of capital improvement program project account no. 980x199x241916, "Ohio River Trail - ODNR RTP Grant," to provide grant resources for the construction of a foot trail connecting a segment of the Ohio River Trail into a complete loop; AUTHORIZING the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant of up to \$150,000 from the State of Ohio, Ohio Department of Natural Resources Recreation Trails Program (ALN 20.219) to newly established capital improvement program project
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account no. 980x199x241916, "Ohio River Trail - ODNR RTP Grant"; and AUTHORIZING the Finance Director to deposit the grant resources of up to \$150,000 into newly established capital improvement program project account no. 980x199x241916, "Ohio River Trail - ODNR RTP Grant."

Recommend Passage Emergency

4. ORDINANCE, submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 3/27/2024, ESTABLISHING capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x242347, "River Rd Crossings Safety Imprvmnts - CRISI," for the purpose of rebuilding existing traffic signals with railroad pre-emption, making equipment improvements at grade crossings, and increasing storage capacity for vehicles exiting the Anderson Ferry onto River Road; AUTHORIZING the City Manager to accept and appropriate grant resources of up to \$6,067,200 awarded by the U.S. Department of Transportation Federal Railroad Administration under the Consolidated Rail Infrastructure and Safety Improvements (CRISI) Program (ALN 20.325) to newly established capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x242347, "River Rd Crossings Safety Imprvmnts - CRISI"; and AUTHORIZING the Director of Finance to deposit the grant resources into capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x242347, "River Rd Crossings Safety Imprvmnts - CRISI."

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Recommend Passage

5. ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY), submitted by Councilmember Owens, from Emily Smart Woerner, City Solicitor, AUTHORIZING the City Manager and the employees of the Office of Councilmember Owens to solicit and accept donations of money, in-kind contributions, and other things of value from the Cincinnati business community, individual benefactors, and other available sources to host Human Services Day; and AUTHORIZING the Director of Finance to deposit funds donated to the City for Human Services Day into Fund No. 314, "Special Events."

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Recommend Passage Emergency

6. MOTION, submitted by Vice Mayor Kearney, Mayor Aftab

[202400924](#)

Pureval and Councilmember Jeffreys, WE MOVE that Cincinnati City Council reallocate and approve the transfer of one million dollars (\$1,000,000) from the Housing Stability Capital Account to the General Fund to provide payment assistance to eligible Cincinnati homeowners for the past due property taxes for owner-occupied 1-4 family residences. (BALANCE ON FILE IN THE CLERK'S OFFICE) (STATEMENT ATTACHED)

Adopt

PRESENTATIONS

7. PRESENTATION, submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, dated 4/1/2024, regarding the Citizen Complaint Authority's Department Budget Presentation. [202401007](#)
Filed
8. PRESENTATION, submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, dated 4/1/2024, regarding the Cincinnati Parks' Department Budget. [202400998](#)
Filed
9. PRESENTATION, submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, dated 4/1/2024, regarding the Metropolitan Sewer District's Department Budget. [202400999](#)
Filed
10. PRESENTATION, submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, dated 4/1/2024, regarding Cincinnati Health Department's Department Budget Presentation for the Budget and Finance Committee Meeting. [202400992](#)
Filed
11. PRESENTATION, submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, dated 4/1/2024, regarding the Enterprise Technology Solutions' Department Budget. [202401000](#)
Filed
12. PRESENTATION, submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, dated 4/1/2024, regarding the Department of Human Resources' Department Budget. [202401008](#)
Filed

ADJOURNMENT