

August 1, 2022

To: Members of the Budget and Finance Committee

From: John P. Curp, Interim City Manager

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Subject: Emergency Ordinance – Establishing New Opioid Settlement Fund

Attached is an Emergency Ordinance captioned:

ESTABLISHING new Fund 475, “Opioid Settlement,” for receipt of funds from the OneOhio Opioid Distributor Settlement for eligible expenses pursuant to the OneOhio memorandum of understanding related to OneOhio Abatement Strategies including Community Recovery, Statewide Innovation & Recovery, and Sustainability; and **AUTHORIZING** the Director of Finance to accept and deposit annual settlement payments into Opioid Settlement Fund 475.

This Emergency Ordinance establishes new Fund 475, “Opioid Settlement,” for receipt of funds from the OneOhio Opioid Distributor Settlement for eligible expenses pursuant to the OneOhio memorandum of understanding related to OneOhio Abatement Strategies including Community Recovery, Statewide Innovation & Recovery, and Sustainability. This Emergency Ordinance further authorizes the Director of Finance to accept and deposit annual settlement payments into Opioid Settlement Fund 475.

The City of Cincinnati is eligible to receive annual payments over 18 years from the OneOhio Distributor Settlement with McKesson, Cardinal, and AmerisourceBergen. Per the Ohio Auditor of State, a new fund is required in order accept these resources.

The settlement resources will be used for eligible expenses that address healthcare needs stemming from the opioid crisis, in accordance with the OneOhio memorandum of understanding related to OneOhio Abatement Strategies including Community Recovery, Statewide Innovation & Recovery, and Sustainability, and Auditor of State Bulletin No. 2022-003.

The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to accept the funding and comply with the guidance established by the Auditor of State.

The Administration recommends passage of this Emergency Ordinance.

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

Attachment