

EMERGENCY

City of Cincinnati

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An Ordinance No. 223

- 2025

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APPROVING AND ADOPTING a Capital Improvement Program and Budget for FY 2026; **AUTHORIZING** the transfer and appropriation of taxes and other revenue and existing funds to carry out certain parts of the Capital Improvement Program; **AUTHORIZING** the transfer and appropriation of proceeds from the Cincinnati Southern Railway Infrastructure Trust to other parts of the Capital Improvement Program; and **DECLARING** certain projects for which funds are being transferred and appropriated to be for a public purpose, all to carry out the FY 2026 Capital Improvement Program.

WHEREAS, the Administration has developed a Capital Improvement Program as reflected in this ordinance and in the attached Schedules of Transfer; and

WHEREAS, Council approval is required for the transfer and appropriation of certain taxes and other revenue and existing funds to carry out certain parts of the Capital Improvement Program; and

WHEREAS, to present a comprehensive program in conjunction with the taxes and other revenue and existing funds being transferred and appropriated, Council approval is also required for the transfer and appropriation of certain capital improvement funds to be raised by the issuance of bonds of the City to carry out certain parts of the Capital Improvement Program; now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Cincinnati, State of Ohio:

Section 1. That the FY 2026 Capital Improvement Program and Budget is approved and adopted, and financed in the amounts and from the sources set forth in Sections 3 through 9 and the Schedules of Transfer, attached to and made a part of this ordinance.

Section 2. That \$500,000 is transferred and returned to source from existing permanent improvement program project account no. 758x101x251043, "Community Budget Request Program," to the unappropriated surplus of Income Tax Permanent Improvement Fund 758 is authorized.

Section 3. That \$500,000 is transferred and appropriated via reprogramming according to the attached Schedule A for the improvements listed in Schedule A.

Section 4. That \$18,578,000 from the 0.15 percent income tax is transferred and appropriated to the permanent improvement project accounts according to the attached Schedule B for the permanent improvements listed in Schedule B.

Section 5. That \$9,422,000 from the 0.15 percent income tax is transferred and appropriated to the capital improvement project accounts according to the attached Schedule C for the capital improvements listed in Schedule C.

Section 6. That \$44,250,000 to be raised by the City's issuance of bonds is transferred and appropriated to capital improvement project accounts according to the attached Schedule D for the improvements listed in Schedule D.

Section 7. That \$320,000 in Cincinnati Southern Railway Infrastructure Trust disbursement revenue is transferred and appropriated according to the attached Schedule E for the permanent improvements listed in Schedule E.

Section 8. That \$55,680,000 in Cincinnati Southern Railway Infrastructure Trust disbursement revenue is transferred and appropriated according to the attached Schedule F for the capital improvements listed in Schedule F.

Section 9. That \$250,000 from the Blue Ash Airport reserve account no. 757x3475 is transferred and appropriated according to the attached Schedule G for the improvements listed in Schedule G.

Section 10. That the PIVOT Strategic Acquisition and Improvement, Neighborhood Business District Improvements, Business Retention/New Growth, Commercial & Industrial Public Improvements, Community Development Focus District, Retail/Commercial Opportunities, Viable Small Business Development, Quick Strike Acquisition, Economic Development Initiatives, Green Cincinnati Sustainability Initiatives, Hazard

Abatement/Demolition Program, Strategic Housing Initiatives Program (SHIP), Affordable Housing Trust Funding Capital, Neighborhood Business Property Holding, Duke Street Light Installation and Renovation, Duke Street Light Renovation, Community Budget Request Program, Civic Space Improvements, Community Facility Improvements - Art Museum, Community Facility Improvements, Strategic Property Investment: Human Services, and Convention Center Improvements capital or permanent improvement program projects are declared to serve a public purpose because the projects will foster local improvements and investment and increase neighborhood vitality.

Section 11. That no expenditure of resources from project accounts shall be made or contracted for, unless the resources have been received by the City or are in the process of collection.

Section 12. That the Director of Finance is authorized to draw the Director's warrant upon the Treasury of the City for the amounts appropriated and for the purposes stated in this ordinance upon receiving the proper certificates and vouchers approved by the City Manager or the City Manager's designee, the appropriate board, or other officers authorized by law to approve the same, or upon receiving the proper certificates and vouchers authorized by an ordinance or resolution of Council to make the expenditures, provided that vouchers for payment out of any of the foregoing appropriations by order of a court decree shall be approved by the City Solicitor in addition to any other authority required by law.

Section 13. That the proper boards or officials are authorized do all things necessary and proper to carry out the terms of this ordinance and to enter into any contract or contracts necessary to carry out any of the projects or parts of projects as set forth in this ordinance, provided that the

boards or officials shall execute the contracts in accordance with all applicable law, including the charter and ordinances of the City.

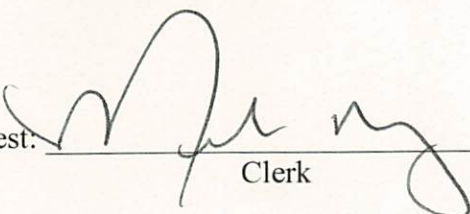
Section 14. That appropriations and allocations to the various projects remaining unexpended at the end of FY 2026 shall remain in the individual project accounts and may be expended at a later time, provided that money not required in a particular project account, as determined by Council, shall be returned by the Director of Finance to the fund from which it was originally transferred.

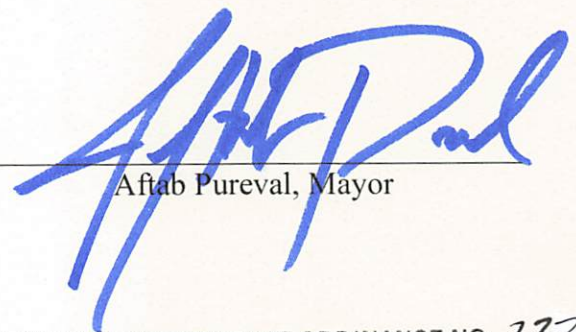
Section 15. That nothing in this ordinance shall be construed as intending to supersede or dispense with the procedures or acts required by state or federal laws or regulations relating to matters involving assessments or state or federal assistance projects.

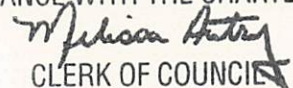
Section 16. That Sections 1 through 15 shall become effective as of July 1, 2025.

Section 17. That this ordinance shall be an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, safety, and general welfare and shall, subject to the terms of Article II, Section 6 of the Charter, be effective immediately. The reason for the emergency is the need to have funding in place to carry out the City's Fiscal Year 2026 Capital Improvement Program, which begins July 1, 2025.

Passed: June 19, 2025

Attest: 
Clerk


Aftab Pureval, Mayor

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT ORDINANCE NO. 223 2025
WAS PUBLISHED IN THE CITY BULLETIN
IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CHARTER ON 7/11/2025

CLERK OF COUNCIL