


June 14, 2023

**To:** Mayor and Members of City Council

**From:** Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager  202301658

**Subject:** **Emergency Ordinance – Parks: Park Board Commissioners’ Fund Monetary Donation**

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Attached is an Emergency Ordinance captioned:

**AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to accept and appropriate a donation totaling \$600,000 from the Cincinnati Park Board Commissioners’ Fund for the purpose of providing resources for horticultural supplies, maintenance contracts, salary reimbursements, Krohn Conservatory’s gift shop inventory, and other vital costs associated with running the City’s parks; and **AUTHORIZING** the Finance Director to deposit the resources into Parks Private Endowment and Donations Fund 430.

Approval of this Emergency Ordinance will authorize the City Manager to accept and appropriate a donation totaling \$600,000 from the Cincinnati Park Board Commissioners’ Fund for the purpose of providing resources for horticultural supplies, maintenance contracts, salary reimbursements, Krohn Conservatory’s gift shop inventory, and other vital costs associated with running the City’s parks. This Emergency Ordinance would also authorize the Finance Director to deposit the funds into Parks Private Endowment and Donations Fund 430.

The Cincinnati Park Board Commissioners’ Fund consists of resources received from endowments and donations from various entities to support the Cincinnati Park Board. This donation requires no matching funds. There are no new FTEs/full time equivalents associated with the donation.

Acceptance of this donation is in accordance with the “Sustain” goal to “[p]reserve our natural and built environment” and strategy to “[p]rotect our natural resources” as well as the “Collaborate” goal to “[w]ork in synergy with the Cincinnati community” and strategy to “[u]nite our communities” as described on pages 193-196 and 207-212 of Plan Cincinnati (2012).

The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to use these resources in FY 2023.

The Administration recommends passage of this Emergency Ordinance.

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



Attachment