

August 5, 2024

To: Members of the Budget and Finance Committee

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From: Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager

Subject: Ordinance - DOTE: Apply For and Accept EV Charging Grant

Attached is an Ordinance captioned:

ESTABLISHING new capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x252301, "EV Charging Infrastructure Grant PID 121831," to provide grant resources for electric vehicle charging infrastructure in the Mt. Washington neighborhood; AUTHORIZING the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant of up to \$196,000 from the Carbon Reduction Program funds awarded from the Ohio-Kentucky-Indiana Regional Council of Governments, as administered by the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) (ALN 20.205), to newly established capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x252301, "EV Charging Infrastructure Grant PID 121831"; and AUTHORIZING the Director of Finance to deposit grant resources into capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x252301, "EV Charging Infrastructure Grant PID 121831."

This Ordinance establishes capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x252301, "EV Charging Infrastructure Grant PID 121831," to provide grant resources for electric vehicle (EV) charging infrastructure in the Mt. Washington neighborhood. This Ordinance also authorizes the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant of up to \$196,000 from the Carbon Reduction Program funds awarded by the Ohio-Kentucky-Indiana Regional Council of Governments (OKI), as administered by the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT), to the newly established capital improvement program project account.

The Mt. Washington neighborhood business district, a high traffic volume area, is located seven miles from the nearest level 3 charging station. This grant project will fill a gap in the electric vehicle charging network.

The City applied for this grant on February 1, 2024, but no grant funds will be accepted without approval by the City Council. This grant does not require matching funds or new FTEs/full time equivalents.

The installation of electric vehicle charging infrastructure is in accordance with the "Sustain" goal to "[b]ecome a healthier Cincinnati" and strategy to "[c]reate a healthy environment and reduce energy consumption" as described on pages 181-186 of Plan Cincinnati (2012).

The Administration recommends passage of this Ordinance.

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

