

AUTHORIZING the City Manager to apply for grant resources in an amount up to \$500,000 from the Federal Transit Administration under the Areas of Persistent Poverty Grant Program (ALN 20.505) for the purpose of providing resources for improvements and upgrades to streetcar technology, station information displays, and transit management software.

WHEREAS, grant resources in an amount up to \$500,000 are available from the Federal Transit Administration's Areas of Persistent Poverty Grant Program, which, if awarded, will be used to provide resources for improvements and upgrades to streetcar technology, station information displays, and transit management software; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Transportation and Engineering has already applied for the grant to meet the March 10, 2023 deadline but will not accept funding without Council approval; and

WHEREAS, if the City is awarded the grant, a ten percent local match of up to \$50,000 will be required, which will be provided from future capital improvement program project accounts; and

WHEREAS, acceptance of the grant resources will not require the addition of any FTEs; and

WHEREAS, applying for grant resources to improve and upgrade streetcar technology, station information displays, and transit management software is in accordance with the "Connect" goal to "[d]evelop an efficient multi-modal transportation system that supports neighborhood livability," and strategy to "[p]lan, design, and implement a safe and sustainable transportation system," as described on pages 127-138 of Plan Cincinnati (2012); now, therefore,

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

Section 1. That the City Manager is authorized to apply for grant resources in an amount up to \$500,000 from the Federal Transit Administration under the Areas of Persistent Poverty Grant Program (ALN 20.505) for the purpose of providing resources for improvements and upgrades to streetcar technology, station information displays, and transit management software.

Section 2. That the proper City officials are authorized to do all things necessary and proper to carry out the terms of the grant and Section 1 hereof.

Section 3. That this ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Passed: _____, 2023

Aftab Pureval, Mayor

Attest: _____
Clerk