



City of Cincinnati Cincinnati City Council Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, January 24, 2024

2:00 PM

Council Chambers, Room 300

Council convened at 2:03 P.M., Vice Mayor Kearney, Presiding.

ROLL CALL

Councilmember Anna Albi, President Pro Tempore Victoria Parks, Councilmember Seth Walsh, Councilmember Scotty Johnson, Councilmember Reggie Harris, Vice Mayor Jan-Michele Kearney, Councilmember Jeff Cramerding, Councilmember Mark Jeffreys, and Councilmember Meeka Owens

In attendance were City Manager Sheryl Long, City Solicitor Emily Smart Woerner and Clerk of Council Melissa Autry.

Council observed a moment of silent prayer and recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

There being no objection, the Minutes of the previous session of Council were ordered Approved and Filed.

Council took a brief recess at 2:40 P.M. and resumed at 2:46 P.M.

MAYOR AFTAB

Cincinnati Recreation Commission

1. APPOINTMENT, submitted by Mayor Aftab Pureval, I hereby appoint Tom West to the Cincinnati Recreation Commission to fill the vacant unexpired term of Marion Byndon ending on September 28, 2027. This appointment is submitted to City Council for its advice and consent pursuant to its Rules. (Male/White)

202400226

Confirmed

President Pro Tempore Parks

Councilmember Walsh
Councilmember Johnson
Councilmember Harris
Vice Mayor Kearney

Councilmember Cramerding
Councilmember Jeffreys
Councilmember Owens

MR. HARRIS

2. ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY), submitted by Councilmember Harris, from Emily Smart Woerner, City Solicitor, AMENDING Ordinance No. 275-2017, as previously amended by Ordinance Nos. 339-2018, 370-2020, and 24-2022, regarding the commercial policies of Community Reinvestment Area real property tax exemptions, to set a policy by which Council authorizes the Administration to approve the maximum Community Reinvestment Area real property tax exemption for projects awarded under the Notice of Funding Availability program and/or the Affordable Housing Leverage Fund program, without further approval by Council.

202400306

Referred to Budget & Finance Committee

MS. ALBI

MS. KEARNEY

MS. PARKS

MR. JEFFREYS

MR. JOHNSON

MS. OWENS

MR. WALSH

3. RESOLUTION, submitted by Councilmember Albi, Vice Mayor Kearney, and Councilmembers Parks, Jeffreys, Johnson, Owens, Harris and Walsh, from Emily Smart Woerner, City Solicitor, RECOGNIZING Karen Rumsey as a National Gun Violence Survivors Week honoree; and EXPRESSING the appreciation of the Mayor and Council for her selfless service to her community.

202400299

Passed

President Pro Tempore Parks

Councilmember Walsh Councilmember Johnson Councilmember Harris Vice Mayor Kearney

Councilmember Cramerding Councilmember Jeffreys Councilmember Owens Enactment No: 0004-2024

4. RESOLUTION, submitted by Councilmember Albi, Vice Mayor Kearney, and Councilmembers Parks, Jeffreys, Johnson, Owens and Walsh, from Emily Smart Woerner, City Solicitor, RECOGNIZING Margaret Long as a National Gun Violence Survivors Week honoree; and EXPRESSING the appreciation of the Mayor and Council for her selfless service to her community.

202400303

Passed

Yes: Councilmember Albi

President Pro Tempore Parks

Councilmember Walsh Councilmember Johnson Councilmember Harris Vice Mayor Kearney

Councilmember Cramerding Councilmember Jeffreys Councilmember Owens Enactment No: 0005-2024

CITY MANAGER

5. REPORT, dated 1/24/2024, submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, regarding Special Event Permit Application for Findlay Market Opening Day Parade.

202400286

Filed

6. ORDINANCE submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 1/24/2024, **AMENDING** the official zoning map of the City of Cincinnati to rezone certain real property located at 4575 Eastern Avenue in the Linwood neighborhood from the MG, "Manufacturing General," zoning district to the RM-0.7, "Residential Multi-family," zoning district to facilitate the development of approximately 271 apartment units. (Subject to the Temporary Prohibition List

<u>202400287</u>

https://www.cincinnati-oh.gov/law/ethics/city-business)

Referred to Equitable Growth & Housing Committee

7. REPORT, dated 1/24/2024 submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on a communication from the State of Ohio, Division of Liquor Control, advising of a permit application for Lucy Blue Holdings, LLC, DBA Lucy Blue, 1301 Vine Street. (#5319993, New, D1) [Objections: None]

202400290

Filed

8. ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY) submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 1/24/2024, ESTABLISHING new capital improvement program project account no. 980x234x242384, "Lunken Runway 3L-21R 2024 FAA AIP Grant," for the purpose of decommissioning runway 3L-21R at Lunken Airport; AUTHORIZING the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant of up to \$1,400,000 from the Federal Aviation Administration Airport Improvement Program (ALN 20.106) to newly established capital improvement program project account no. 980x234x242384, "Lunken Runway 3L-21R 2024 FAA AIP Grant," for the purpose of decommissioning Runway 3L-21R at Lunken Airport; and AUTHORIZING the Director of Finance to deposit the grant resources into capital improvement program project account no. 980x234x242384, "Lunken Runway 3L-21R 2024 FAA AIP Grant."

202400291

Referred to Budget & Finance Committee

9. ORDINANCE submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 1/24/2024, **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to apply for and accept a grant from the Federal Emergency Management Agency Building Resilience in Communities Direct Technical Assistance grant program (ALN 97.047) to provide technical assistance on project plans focused on building resilience in communities facing severe storms, landslides, and stormwater challenges.

202400292

Referred to Budget & Finance Committee

10. ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY) submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 1/24/2024, AUTHORIZING the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant of up to \$15,000 from the Hamilton County R3Source program, Waste Reduction Innovation Grant, to purchase and install community freezers and associated supplies in Avondale and Millvale; and AUTHORIZING the Director of Finance to deposit the grant funds into Public Health Research Fund revenue account no. 350x8571.

202400293

Referred to Budget & Finance Committee

11. ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY) submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 1/24/2024, ESTABLISHING new capital improvement program project account no. 980x232x242380, "Red Bank Rd SUP (PID 86461) ODOT," for the purpose of completing the Red Bank Road Shared Use Path (SUP) project; AUTHORIZING the City Manager to accept and appropriate up to \$1,070,173.60 from the Ohio Department of Transportation ("ODOT") (ALN 20.205) to newly established capital improvement program project account no. 980x232x242380, "Red Bank Rd SUP (PID 86461) ODOT"; AUTHORIZING the Director of Finance to deposit ODOT resources in an amount up to \$1,070,173.60 into capital

improvement program project account no. 980x232x242380, "Red Bank Rd SUP (PID 86461) ODOT"; **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to enter into a Local Public Agency Agreement with the Director of ODOT to complete the Red Bank Road Shared Use Path project; and **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to do all things necessary to cooperate with the Director of ODOT in order to complete the Red Bank Road Shared Use Path project.

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Referred to Budget & Finance Committee

12. ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY) submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 1/24/2024, **AMENDING** Ordinance No. 415-2023 to renumber new Section 871-10, "Landlord's Obligation to Provide Tenant Relocation Assistance," to Section 871-14, "Landlord's Obligation to Provide Tenant Relocation Assistance," because Section 871-10 already exists in the Cincinnati Municipal Code.

202400307

Referred to Equitable Growth & Housing Committee

CLERK OF COUNCIL

13. REGISTRATION, submitted by the Clerk of Council from Legislative Agent Ted Heckmann, Government Affairs, Senior Director, 221 East 4th Street, Suite 103-1080, Cincinnati, Ohio 45202. (CINCINNATI BELL)

<u>202400313</u>

Filed

14. REGISTRATION (UPDATE), submitted by the Clerk of Council from Legislative Agent Ted Heckmann, Senior Director, Government Affairs, 221 East 4th Street, Suite 103/1080, Cincinnati, Ohio 45202.

<u>202400314</u>

Filed

15. STATEMENT, submitted by the Clerk of Council formally filing a copy of the Financial Disclosure Statement for Kelly L. Carr/Deputy Director Human Resources.

<u>202400316</u>

Filed

16. STATEMENT, submitted by the Clerk of Council formally filing a copy of the Financial Disclosure Statement for Brian Nicholas Gay/Office of the City Manager/Division Manager.

202400317

Filed

17. STATEMENT, submitted by the Clerk of Council formally filing a copy of the Financial Disclosure Statement for Arian Yatira Hall/Fire Department/Division Manager/CFO.

<u>202400318</u>

Filed

18. STATEMENT, submitted by the Clerk of Council formally filing a copy of the Financial Disclosure Statement for James Samuel Kovac Jr./Enterprise Technology Solutions/IT Manager.

202400319

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19. STATEMENT, submitted by the Clerk of Council formally filing a copy of the Financial Disclosure Statement for Oliver Louis Kroner/Office of

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28. STATEMENT, submitted by the Clerk of Council formally filing a copy of the Financial Disclosure Statement for Virginia E. Tallent/Assistant City Manager.

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29. STATEMENT, submitted by the Clerk of Council formally filing a copy of the Financial Disclosure Statement for Chandra D. Yungbluth/Public Services/Operations Superintendent.

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30.	STATEMENT , submitted by the Clerk of Council formally filing a copy of the Financial Disclosure Statement for Jennifer Lynn Richmond/MSD Deputy Director.	202400331
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31.	STATEMENT, submitted by the Clerk of Council formally filing a copy of the Financial Disclosure Statement for Amy Reineke/GCWW/Division Manager.	202400332
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32.	STATEMENT , submitted by the Clerk of Council formally filing a copy of the Financial Disclosure Statement for Karli R. Piper/ECC/Deputy Director.	202400333
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33.	STATEMENT , submitted by the Clerk of Council formally filing a copy of the Financial Disclosure Statement for Rajesh Ranjit/DCED/Division Manager/Fiscal & Operation.	202400334
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34.	STATEMENT , submitted by the Clerk of Council formally filing a copy of the Financial Disclosure Statement for Greg Long/Transportation & Engineering/Deputy Director/City Engineer.	202400335
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35.	STATEMENT , submitted by the Clerk of Council formally filing a copy of the Financial Disclosure Statement for Mollie Kathleen Lair/Director of Communications.	202400336
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36.	STATEMENT , submitted by the Clerk of Council formally filing a copy of the Financial Disclosure Statement for Kelly LaFrankie/OPDA/Division Manager.	202400337
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37.	STATEMENT , submitted by the Clerk of Council formally filing a copy of the Financial Disclosure Statement for Marion Eugene Haynes III/Deput Solicitor.	
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38.	STATEMENT , submitted by the Clerk of Council formally filing a copy of the Financial Disclosure Statement for Latisha A. Hazell/Human Resources Director.	202400339
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39.	STATEMENT , submitted by the Clerk of Council formally filing a copy of the Financial Disclosure Statement for Tim D. Heyl/Recreation/Division	202400340

202400341

40. STATEMENT, submitted by the Clerk of Council formally filing a copy of

Manager.

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the Financial Disclosure Statement for Eric Marshall Jamison/Director/office of Performance and Data Analytics.

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41. STATEMENT, submitted by the Clerk of Council formally filing a copy of the Financial Disclosure Statement for Joel Q. Koopman/Deputy Director of Public Services.

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42. REGISTRATION (UPDATED), submitted by the Clerk of Council from Legislative Agent George T. Glover, Focused Capitol Solutions LLC, Managing Director, 425 Walnut Street, Suite 1800, Cincinnati, Ohio 45202. (PEOPLE WORKING COOPERATIVELY)

202400347

Filed

43. REGISTRATION (UPDATED), submitted by the Clerk of Council from Legislative Agent George T. Glover, Focused Capitol Solutions LLC, Managing Director, 425 Walnut Street, Suite 1800, Cincinnati, Ohio 45202. (SANTA MARIA COMMUNITY SERVICES)

<u>202400349</u>

Filed

44. REGISTRATION (UPDATED), submitted by the Clerk of Council from Legislative Agent George T. Glover, Focused Capitol Solutions LLC, Managing Director, 425 Walnut Street, Suite 1800, Cincinnati, Ohio 45202. (ASM GLOBAL)

202400351

Filed

BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

45. ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY) submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 1/18/2024, MODIFYING Chapter 309, "Admissions Taxes," of the Cincinnati Municipal Code by **ORDAINING** Sections 309-1-M, "Marketplace Facilitator," 309-1-P, "Pay, Payment," 309-1-P2, "Place" 309-1-R, "Reseller; Resold; Resale" 309-1-S, "Seller; Sold; Sale," and 309-1-V, "Vendor"; by AMENDING Sections 309-1-A, "Admission," 309-1-P. "Person." 309-1-T. "Treasurer." 309-3. "Rate of Tax." 309-5. "Admission, Exempt from Tax," 309-7, "Price to be Marked on Ticket or Displayed," 309-9, "Monthly and Annual Reports; Contents; Payments of Tax," 309-11, "Administration of Chapter; Adoption of Rules and Regulations; Records; Bond," 309-13, "License Required; Application; Contents; Fee; Issuance; Restrictions; Renewal; Suspension or Revocation; Liability of Owner of Premises; Exemptions," 309-17, "Taxes Made a Lien," 309-19, "Treasurer May Make Additional Assessment; Notice, Hearing," 309-21, "Estimated Assessment Made; Penalty; Notice," 309-23, "Estimated Additional Assessment Made; Penalty; Notice, Hearing," 309-25, "When Taxes by Assessment are Due and Payable," 309-27, "Application for Reassessment," 309-29, "Notices Authorized to be Mailed," 309-31, "Refunds; Application," and 309-99, "Penalties"; and by **REPEALING** Section 309-15, "Refund," to address the application and collection of admission taxes to ticket sales that occur through online marketplaces, and to modernize and standardize the administration of the

admissions tax.

Passed Emergency

Yes: Councilmember Albi

President Pro Tempore Parks

Councilmember Walsh Councilmember Johnson Councilmember Harris Vice Mayor Kearney

Councilmember Cramerding Councilmember Jeffreys Councilmember Owens Enactment No: 0021-2024

Emergency clause to remain

Yes: Councilmember Albi

President Pro Tempore Parks

Councilmember Walsh Councilmember Johnson Councilmember Harris Vice Mayor Kearney

Councilmember Cramerding Councilmember Jeffreys Councilmember Owens Enactment No: 0021-2024

Suspension of the three readings

Yes: Councilmember Albi

President Pro Tempore Parks

Councilmember Walsh Councilmember Johnson Councilmember Harris Vice Mayor Kearney

Councilmember Cramerding Councilmember Jeffreys Councilmember Owens Enactment No: 0021-2024

46. ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY) submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 1/18/2024, **AMENDING** Ordinance No. 166-2021, as previously amended by Ordinance No. 0464-2021, to add "After Hours Programming" to the title of American Rescue Plan Account Number ARP065, "Cincinnati Recreation Commission Extended Hours" on the Schedule of Appropriations and to change the description from

"Recreation Centers Extended Hours" to "Recreation Centers Extended Hours and After Hours Programming" per the attached Schedule of Appropriations (AMENDED).

Passed Emergency

Yes: Councilmember Albi

President Pro Tempore Parks

Councilmember Walsh Councilmember Johnson Councilmember Harris Vice Mayor Kearney

Councilmember Cramerding Councilmember Jeffreys Councilmember Owens Enactment No: 0022-2024

Emergency clause to remain

Yes: Councilmember Albi

President Pro Tempore Parks

Councilmember Walsh Councilmember Johnson Councilmember Harris Vice Mayor Kearney

Councilmember Cramerding Councilmember Jeffreys Councilmember Owens Enactment No: 0022-2024

Suspension of the three readings

Yes: Councilmember Albi

President Pro Tempore Parks

Councilmember Walsh Councilmember Johnson Councilmember Harris Vice Mayor Kearney

Councilmember Cramerding Councilmember Jeffreys Councilmember Owens Enactment No: 0022-2024

47. ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY), submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 1/22/2024, **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager and the employees of the Office of the City Manager to solicit and accept donations of money, in-kind contributions, and other things of value

from the Cincinnati business community, individual benefactors, and other available sources to support the Just Heal, Bro Tour Mental Health Awareness event, in partnership with the Center for Closing the Health Gap, on February 1, 2024; and **AUTHORIZING** the Director of Finance to deposit any funds donated to the City of Cincinnati for the Just Heal, Bro Tour event into "Special Events" Fund 314 revenue account no. 314x8571.

Passed Emergency

Yes: Councilmember Albi

President Pro Tempore Parks

Councilmember Walsh Councilmember Johnson Councilmember Harris Vice Mayor Kearney

Councilmember Cramerding Councilmember Jeffreys Councilmember Owens Enactment No: 0023-2024

Emergency clause to remain

Yes: Councilmember Albi

President Pro Tempore Parks

Councilmember Walsh Councilmember Johnson Councilmember Harris Vice Mayor Kearney

Councilmember Cramerding Councilmember Jeffreys Councilmember Owens Enactment No: 0023-2024

Suspension of the three readings

Yes: Councilmember Albi

President Pro Tempore Parks

Councilmember Walsh
Councilmember Johnson
Councilmember Harris
Vice Mayor Kearney

Councilmember Cramerding Councilmember Jeffreys Councilmember Owens Enactment No: 0023-2024 **48. ORDINANCE** submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 1/18/2024, **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to execute a Lease Agreement with Kaiser Properties-Central, LTD., pursuant to which the City will lease for a term of up to thirty years a portion of John Street public right-of-way located north of York Street in the West End neighborhood.

202400213

Passed

Yes: Councilmember Albi

President Pro Tempore Parks

Councilmember Walsh Councilmember Johnson Councilmember Harris Vice Mayor Kearney

Councilmember Cramerding Councilmember Jeffreys Councilmember Owens Enactment No: 0024-2024

Suspension of the three readings

Yes: Councilmember Albi

President Pro Tempore Parks

Councilmember Walsh Councilmember Johnson Councilmember Harris Vice Mayor Kearney

Councilmember Cramerding Councilmember Jeffreys Councilmember Owens Enactment No: 0024-2024

49. ORDINANCE submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 1/18/2024, **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to execute a Lease Agreement with Onflight, Inc. pursuant to which the company will enter into a new lease for the use and occupancy of Lunken Airport Lease Area 12 for up to 33 years.

202400216

Passed

President Pro Tempore Parks

Councilmember Walsh Councilmember Johnson Councilmember Harris Vice Mayor Kearney

Councilmember Cramerding Councilmember Jeffreys Councilmember Owens Enactment No: 0025-2024

Suspension of the three readings

Yes: Councilmember Albi

President Pro Tempore Parks

Councilmember Walsh Councilmember Johnson Councilmember Harris Vice Mayor Kearney

Councilmember Cramerding Councilmember Jeffreys Councilmember Owens Enactment No: 0025-2024

50. REPORT, dated 1/18/2024, submitted Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, regarding the Finance and Budget Monitoring Report for the Period Ending October 31, 2023.

<u>202400215</u>

Approved & Filed

51. ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY) submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 1/18/2024, **APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to execute a Community Reinvestment Area Tax Exemption Agreement with Price Hill Will, thereby authorizing a fifteen-year tax exemption for 100% of the value of improvements made to real property located at 3104 Warsaw Avenue in the East Price Hill neighborhood of Cincinnati, in connection with the remodeling of an existing building into approximately 5,005 square feet of residential space, consisting of nine residential units, and approximately 1,774 square feet of commercial space, at a total construction cost of approximately \$2,536,765.

202400220

Passed Emergency

President Pro Tempore Parks

Councilmember Walsh Councilmember Johnson Councilmember Harris Vice Mayor Kearney

Councilmember Cramerding Councilmember Jeffreys Councilmember Owens Enactment No: 0026-2024

Emergency clause to remain

Yes: Councilmember Albi

President Pro Tempore Parks

Councilmember Walsh Councilmember Johnson Councilmember Harris Vice Mayor Kearney

Councilmember Cramerding Councilmember Jeffreys Councilmember Owens Enactment No: 0026-2024

Suspension of the three readings

Yes: Councilmember Albi

President Pro Tempore Parks

Councilmember Walsh Councilmember Johnson Councilmember Harris Vice Mayor Kearney

Councilmember Cramerding Councilmember Jeffreys Councilmember Owens Enactment No: 0026-2024

52. MOTION, submitted by Councilmember Harris, Vice Mayor Kearney, and Councilmembers Owens, Albi and Walsh, **WE MOVE** that Council accept the administration's recommendations and authorize the transfer of \$1,875,000 of the \$2,125,000 set aside to implement the Cities for Financial Empowerment "Financial Freedom" blueprint to the appropriate accounts. (BALANCE ON FILE IN THE CLERK'S OFFICE) (STATEMENT ATTACHED)

Adopted

President Pro Tempore Parks

Councilmember Walsh Councilmember Johnson Councilmember Harris Vice Mayor Kearney

Councilmember Cramerding
Councilmember Jeffreys
Councilmember Owens

SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS

HEALTHY NEIGHBORHOODS COMMITTEE

53. MOTION, submitted by Vice Mayor Kearney, **WE MOVE** that City Council establish a consistent process for honorary, secondary street namings as follows: 1. Requestor submits necessary information (e.g., biography of person to be honored, name of street and intersection to receive the honorary name, other pertinent information to support request) to a Cincinnati City Councilmember's office to support request for the honorary streetnaming. A councilmember also may initiate the streetnaming. (BALANCE ON FILE IN THE CLERK'S OFFICE) (STATEMENT ATTACHED).

202400120

Adopted

Yes: Councilmember Albi

President Pro Tempore Parks

Councilmember Walsh Councilmember Johnson Councilmember Harris Vice Mayor Kearney

Councilmember Cramerding Councilmember Jeffreys Councilmember Owens

No announcements at this time.

Council adjourned at 3:15 P.M.