



City of Cincinnati

801 Plum Street
Cincinnati, OH 45202

Agenda - Final-revised

Budget, Finance & Governance Committee

*Chairperson Jeff Cramerding
Vice Chair Evan Nolan
Councilmember Mark Jeffreys
Councilmember Anna Albi
Vice Mayor Jan-Michele Kearney
Councilmember Meeka Owens
Councilmember Scotty Johnson
Councilmember Seth Walsh
Councilmember Ryan James*

Tuesday, February 17, 2026

1:00 PM

Council Chambers, Room 300

REVISED

AGENDA

REPORTS

1. [202600420](#) **REPORT**, dated 2/11/2026, submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, regarding the Finance and Budget Monitoring Report for the Period Ending October 31, 2025.

Sponsors: City Manager

Attachments: [Report](#)

[Attachment I](#)

[Attachment II](#)

[Attachment III](#)

[Attachment IV](#)

GRANTS AND DONATIONS

2. [202600437](#) **ORDINANCE** submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 2/11/2026, **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant of up to \$10,000 from the American Public Health Association Building Bridges Learning Community Project to enhance collaboration between governmental public health, nonprofit, and community-based organizations and advance health equity and overall community well-being; and **AUTHORIZING** the Director of Finance to deposit the grant funds into Public Health Research Fund revenue account no. 350x8571.

Sponsors: City Manager

Attachments: [Transmittal](#)

[Ordinance](#)

3. [202600492](#) **ORDINANCE** submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 2/11/2026,

AUTHORIZING the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant of up to \$25,000 from the 2026 Power-building Partnership for Health Program, funded by Health in Partnership, to support a series of monthly workshops from February through December 2026; and **AUTHORIZING** the Director of Finance to deposit the grant funds into Public Health Research Fund revenue account no. 350x8571.

Sponsors: City Manager

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[Ordinance](#)

4. [202600436](#) **ORDINANCE** submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 2/11/2026, **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant of up to \$39,600 from the Ohio Department of Public Safety, Office of Criminal Justice Services, FY 2026 State of Ohio Violent Crime Reduction Grant Program, to support Domestic Violence Prevention and Reduction training for Cincinnati Police Department officers; and **AUTHORIZING** the Director of Finance to deposit the grant funds into Law Enforcement Grant Fund 368, project account no. 26SVCR.

Sponsors: City Manager

Attachments: [Transmittal](#)
[Ordinance](#)

5. [202600438](#) **ORDINANCE** submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 2/11/2026, **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to accept an in-kind donation of goods and professional services from Corbeau Ski Club, through the Cincinnati Recreation Foundation, valued at approximately \$63,000 to support the Cincinnati Recreation Commission's Learn to Ski/Snowboard program, in which all Cincinnati youth can participate.

Sponsors: City Manager

Attachments: [Transmittal](#)
[Ordinance](#)

NAMING RIGHTS AGREEMENT

6. [202600714](#) **ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY)** submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 2/11/2026, **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to execute a Naming Rights Agreement with First Financial Bank, an Ohio-state chartered bank, providing for the sale of naming rights to the City-owned convention center located at 525 Elm Street.

Sponsors: City Manager

Attachments: [Transmittal](#)
[Ordinance](#)
[Attachment A](#)
[Attachment B](#)

CLOSEOUT

7. [202600210](#) **ORDINANCE**, submitted by Mayor Aftab Pureval, from Emily Smart Woerner, City Solicitor, **AUTHORIZING** the transfer of \$200,000 from General Fund balance sheet reserve account no. 050x2581, "Reserve for Special Events Support," to the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050; **AUTHORIZING** the transfer and appropriation of \$200,000 from the unappropriated surplus of the General Fund to City Manager's Office General Fund non-personnel operating budget account no. 050x101x7400 to provide one-time special events support of \$100,000 each for the Black Family Reunion and the Abercrumbie Group; **AUTHORIZING** the transfer of \$1,006,417 from General Fund balance sheet reserve account no. 050x3440, "Infrastructure and Capital Project Reserve," to the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050; and **AUTHORIZING** the transfer and appropriation of \$1,006,417 from the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050 to capital improvement program project account no. 981x256x262505, "Fleet Replacements" to provide resources for additional replacement fleet vehicles.

Sponsors: Mayor

Attachments: [Transmittal](#)
[Ordinance](#)

8. [202600432](#) **MOTION**, submitted by Vice Mayor Kearney, **WE MOVE** that \$200,000 from the Infrastructure and Capital Project Reserve fund be allocated to YWCA to address urgent needs to ensure the shelter for survivors of domestic violence remains safe and efficient for survivors and the community. Capital needs include cameras, security doors, accessibility, and basement improvements.

Sponsors: Kearney

Attachments: [Motion](#)
[Attachment](#)

9. [202600726](#) **MOTION**, submitted by Councilmembers Johnson, James and Vice Mayor Kearney, **WE MOVE** that City Council allocate funds in the amount of \$100,000 from the Special Events Fund for 'FY25 to support the Avondale Film Festival. (STATEMENT ATTACHED)

Sponsors: Johnson, James and Kearney

Attachments: [Motion](#)

10. [202600748](#) **MOTION**, submitted by Vice Mayor Kearney, **WE MOVE** that City Council allocate \$50,000 from the Special Events portion of the Carryover 'FY25 funds to the Cincinnati Music Festival. The Cincinnati Music Festival has existed since 1962, has an economic impact of at least \$107 million every year, supports concurrent festivals including the 513Festival and Cincy Soul, as well as our small businesses, hotels, restaurants and other retail businesses.

Sponsors: Kearney

Attachments: [202600748](#)

11. [202600743](#) **MOTION**, submitted by Councilmember Jeffreys, **WE MOVE** that City Council allocate \$210,000 in funds from the Operating Contingencies Budget for 'FY25 to fund a joint program with City Gospel & Keep Cincinnati Beautiful (KCB) for a Neighborhood Hope Job Van initiative - to provide those panhandling with a job cleaning up litter in our city neighborhoods outside of Downtown & OTR. (STATEMENT ATTACHED)

Sponsors: Jeffreys

Attachments: [Motion](#)

12. [202600435](#) **MOTION**, submitted by Councilmembers James, Johnson, Walsh, Owens and Vice Mayor Kearney, **WE MOVE** that City Council allocate funds from the Operating Contingencies Budget for FY25 to: Immigration & Refugee Law Center - \$210,000; Access to Counsel- \$210,000; West End Sports Bar & Grill - \$70,000; and Freestore Foodbank - \$10,000. (BALANCE ON FILE IN THE CLERK'S OFFICE) (STATEMENT ATTACHED)

Sponsors: James, Johnson, Walsh, Kearney and Owens

Attachments: [Attachment](#)

[Motion](#)

13. [202600733](#) **MOTION**, submitted by Councilmember Johnson, **WE MOVE** that City Council allocate funds in the amount of \$350,000 from the Operating Contingencies Budget (Waterfall) for 'FY25 to the Boys & Girls Club of Greater Cincinnati (Avondale Branch) to assist with renovations to the facility. (STATEMENT ATTACHED)

Sponsors: Johnson

Attachments: [Motion](#)

14. [202600737](#) **MOTION**, submitted by Councilmember Albi, **WE MOVE** that City Council allocate funds from the Operating Contingencies Budget for the 'FY25 to: \$125,000 to Freestore Foodbank to support emergency food access programs for Cincinnati households. (BALANCE ON FILE IN THE CLERK'S OFFICE) (STATEMENT ATTACHED)

Sponsors: Albi

Attachments: [Motion](#)

15. [202600751](#) **MOTION**, submitted by Vice Mayor Kearney, **WE MOVE** that City Council allocate \$350,000 from the FY25 Carryover Budget to Habitat for Humanity to support Cincinnati's urgent need for affordable housing, particularly affordable homeownership opportunities. (BALANCE ON FILE IN THE CLERK'S OFFICE) (STATEMENT ATTACHED).

Sponsors: Kearney

Attachments: [202600751](#)

16. [202600742](#)

MOTION, submitted by Councilmembers Albi and Jeffreys, **WE MOVE** the Administration establishes an Emergency Immigration Response Fund to assist with community needs, including but not limited to legal services, food and housing support, and business education and support. **WE FURTHER MOVE** the Administration transfer \$300,000 from reserve account no. 050x2580, “Reserve for Weather Related Events, Other Emergency and One-Time Needs,” into the newly established Emergency Immigration Response Fund.

Sponsors: Albi and Jeffreys

Attachments: [Motion_004](#)

ADJOURNMENT