

## **EMERGENCY**

**CFG**

**-2025**

**AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to execute a Water Service Agreement between the City of Cincinnati and the Board of County Commissioners of Warren County, Ohio sale of surplus water to certain portions of Warren County, Ohio.

WHEREAS, the City of Cincinnati (the “City”) owns and operates the Greater Cincinnati Water Works, a municipal water utility that supplies water to its inhabitants, and is empowered pursuant to Ohio Constitution Article XVIII, Section 6 and Charter Article IV, Section 9 to sell and deliver surplus water outside of the City limits as may be authorized by Council; and

WHEREAS, the City and the Board of County Commissioners of Warren County, Ohio (the “County”) entered into a Warren County Water Area Contract (as amended, “Water Contract”), dated February 17, 1995, and as amended on December 12, 1996; June 17, 1997; February 15, 2017; December 23, 2020; December 21, 2022; May 16, 2024; January 14, 2025; and June 10, 2025, providing for wholesale and retail water service, construction of improvements and expansion of the Warren County service area as defined in the Water Contract; and

WHEREAS, the Water Contract will expire on December 31, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the parties desire to enter into a new Water Service Agreement by which the City will continue to provide the County retail water service for the duration of the new Water Service Agreement, which term shall begin January 1, 2026 and end no later than December 31, 2036, with three five-year renewal options; to provide the County wholesale water service during a transition period beginning January 1, 2026 and ending no later than December 31, 2028; and to provide the County standby wholesale water service for the duration of the new Water Service Agreement; 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 execute a Water Service Agreement between the City of Cincinnati and the Board of County Commissioners of Warren County, Ohio in substantially the form of Attachment A attached hereto.

Section 2. That the proper City officials are hereby authorized to do all things necessary and proper to carry out the terms of the Water Service Agreement.

Section 3. That this ordinance shall be an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, safety, and general welfare and shall, subject to the terms

of Article II, Section 4 of the Charter, be effective immediately. The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to execute the Water Service Agreement prior to the December 31, 2025 expiration of the current Water Contract.

Passed: \_\_\_\_\_, 2025

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Aftab Pureval, Mayor

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk