

April 30, 2025

**To:** Mayor and Members of City Council

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**From:** Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager

**Subject: Emergency Ordinance – CMO: Queen City Slam Basketball Tournament Donations**

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Attached is an Emergency Ordinance captioned:

**AUTHORIZING** the City Manager and employees of the Cincinnati Recreation Commission to solicit and accept donations of money, sponsorships, in-kind contributions, team registration fees, vendor fees, and other things of value from the Cincinnati business community, individual benefactors, and other appropriate sources to provide resources to support the Queen City Slam Basketball Tournament; and **AUTHORIZING** the Director of Finance to deposit the resources donated to or generated by the event into Fund No. 319, “Contributions for Recreation Purposes.”

This Emergency Ordinance authorizes the City Manager and employees of the Cincinnati Recreation Commission (“CRC”) to solicit and accept donations of money, sponsorships, in-kind contributions, team registration fees, vendor fees, and other things of value from the Cincinnati business community, individual benefactors, and other appropriate sources to provide resources to support the Queen City Slam Basketball Tournament. This Emergency Ordinance also authorizes the Director of Finance to deposit the resources donated to or generated by the event into Fund No. 319, “Contributions for Recreation Purposes.”

The Queen City Slam Basketball Tournament will be hosted by the City and the CRC in partnership with Big City Ticket, LLC aka Hoop It Up on August 9, 2025. The Queen City Slam Basketball Tournament will engage youth and adults by providing recreation and access to community resources to support and foster continued community development.

Supporting the Queen City Slam Basketball Tournament is in accordance with the “Collaborate” goal to “[w]ork in synergy with the Cincinnati community” and the strategy to “[u]nite our communities” as described on pages 207-211 of Plan Cincinnati (2012).

The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to accept donations in a timely manner.

The Administration recommends passage of this Emergency Ordinance.

cc: Andrew Dudas, Budget Director  
Steve Webb, Finance Director

Attachment

