



City of Cincinnati

Budget and Finance Committee

Meeting Minutes

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Councilmember Mark Jeffreys
Councilmember Evan Nolan
Councilmember Meeka Owens
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Councilmember Seth Walsh

Monday, May 19, 2025

1:00 PM

Council Chambers, Room 300

ROLL CALL

Present: Mark Jeffreys
Anna Albi
Jan-Michele Kearney
Jeff Cramerding
Meeka Owens
Scotty Johnson
Seth Walsh
Victoria Parks
Evan Nolan

AGENDA

FUNDING AGREEMENTS

1. ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY) submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 5/14/2025, AUTHORIZING the City Manager to execute a Funding Agreement with Keep Cincinnati Beautiful ("KCB") to provide one-time operational support for the Don't Dump the Nati program; AUTHORIZING the City Manager to expend existing resources of up to \$79,000 from Office of Environment and Sustainability General Fund non-personnel operating budget account no. 050x104x7200 to provide one-time operational support to KCB for the Don't Dump the Nati program; and DECLARING such expenditure to serve a public purpose.

This Ordinance was Recommend Passage Emergency to the Cincinnati City Council

2. ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY) submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City

Manager, on 5/14/2025, AUTHORIZING the City Manager to execute a funding agreement with Green Umbrella to provide one-time operational support for green workforce development; AUTHORIZING the City Manager to expend up to \$500,000 of existing resources from Office of Environment and Sustainability General Fund non-personnel operating budget account no. 050x104x7200 to provide one-time operational support to Green Umbrella for green workforce development; and DECLARING such expenditure to serve a public purpose by encouraging green workforce development in Cincinnati.

This Ordinance was Recommend Passage Emergency to the Cincinnati City Council

TRANSFERS

3. ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY) submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 5/14/2025, AUTHORIZING the transfer of \$15,000,000 from the unappropriated surplus of Water Works Fund 101 to Water Works Capital Improvement Fund 756 to continue funding for the current capital improvement program, which includes new water mains, water main replacements, treatment plant improvements, system development, tanks, pumping stations, private development, equipment, and other water system improvements; and AUTHORIZING the use and expenditure of \$15,000,000 for Greater Cincinnati Water Works capital improvements.

This Ordinance was Recommend Passage Emergency to the Cincinnati City Council

GRANTS AND DONATIONS

4. ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY) submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 4/30/2025, AUTHORIZING the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant of up to \$194,990 from the Ohio Public Works Commission ("OPWC") Clean Ohio Green Space Conservation Program to acquire approximately one-third of an acre of property located at the corner of Parkside Place and Martin Drive in Mt. Adams (Parcel ID 007200020288) (the "Property") for permanent public access and greenspace preservation and to fund improvements to the Property, including but not limited to trails, trees, and benches (the "Improvements"); ESTABLISHING new capital improvement program project account no. 980x203x252043, "Mt. Adams Greenspace Acquisition - OPWC," to provide resources for the acquisition of the Property and for the Improvements; AUTHORIZING the Director of Finance to deposit up to \$194,990 of the OPWC Clean Ohio Green Space Conservation Program grant resources into newly established

capital improvement program project account no. 980x203x252043, "Mt. Adams Greenspace Acquisition - OPWC"; AUTHORIZING the City Manager to accept a donation of up to \$107,835 from the Cincinnati Parks Foundation to acquire the Property for permanent public access and greenspace preservation and to fund the Improvements; AUTHORIZING the Director of Finance to accept and deposit up to \$107,835 of the donated funds into Parks Private Endowment and Donations Fund 430; ESTABLISHING new capital improvement program project account no. 980x203x252044, "Mt. Adams Greenspace Acquisition - Donation," to provide resources for the acquisition the Property for permanent public access and greenspace preservation and for the Improvements; and AUTHORIZING the transfer and appropriation of up to \$107,835 in donated funds from Parks Private Endowment and Donations Fund 430 to newly established capital improvement program project account no. 980x203x252044, "Mt. Adams Greenspace Acquisition - Donation."

This Ordinance was indefinite postponement

5. ORDINANCE (B VERSION) (EMERGENCY) submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 5/14/2025, AUTHORIZING the City Manager to accept and appropriate a grant of up to \$194,990 from the Ohio Public Works Commission ("OPWC") Clean Ohio Green Space Conservation Program to acquire approximately one-third of an acre of property located at the corner of Parkside Place and Martin Drive in Mt. Adams (Parcel ID 007200020288) (the "Property") for permanent public access and greenspace preservation and to fund improvements to the Property, including but not limited to trails, trees, and benches (the "Improvements"); ESTABLISHING new capital improvement program project account no. 980x203x252043, "Mt. Adams Greenspace Acquisition - OPWC," to provide resources for the acquisition of the Property and for the Improvements; AUTHORIZING the Director of Finance to deposit up to \$194,990 of the OPWC Clean Ohio Green Space Conservation Program grant resources into newly established capital improvement program project account no. 980x203x252043, "Mt. Adams Greenspace Acquisition - OPWC"; AUTHORIZING the City Manager to accept a donation of up to \$107,835 from the Cincinnati Parks Foundation to acquire the Property for permanent public access and greenspace preservation and to fund the Improvements; AUTHORIZING the Director of Finance to accept and deposit up to \$107,835 of the donated funds into Parks Private Endowment and Donations Fund 430; ESTABLISHING new capital improvement program project account no. 980x203x252044, "Mt. Adams Greenspace Acquisition - Donation," to provide resources for the acquisition the

Property for permanent public access and greenspace preservation and for the Improvements; AUTHORIZING the transfer and appropriation of up to \$107,835 in donated funds from Parks Private Endowment and Donations Fund 430 to newly established capital improvement program project account no. 980x203x252044, "Mt. Adams Greenspace Acquisition - Donation"; and AUTHORIZING the City Manager to accept an in-kind donation valued at up to \$35,000 from the owner of the Property in the form of a bargain sale for the Property's acquisition.

This Ordinance was Recommend Passage Emergency to the Cincinnati City Council

6. ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY) submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 5/14/2025, ESTABLISHING new capital improvement program project account no. 980x203x252046, "Historic Park Signs - Grant," to provide resources for the restoration and installation of historic park signs; AUTHORIZING the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant of up to \$14,051 from the Ohio History Connection's Ohio History Fund Program; AUTHORIZING the Director of Finance to deposit the grant resources of up to \$14,051 into capital improvement program project account no. 980x203x252046, "Historic Park Signs - Grant"; and AUTHORIZING the City Manager to enter into any agreements necessary for the receipt and administration of the Ohio History Fund grant resources.

This Ordinance was Recommend Passage Emergency to the Cincinnati City Council

7. ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY) submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 5/14/2025, ESTABLISHING new capital improvement program project account no. 980x203x252045, "Biochar Facility Equipment - Ohio EPA," to provide resources for the purchase of equipment necessary to process wood waste into biochar within the City's biochar processing facility; AUTHORIZING the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant of up to \$97,085 from the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency Office of Environmental Innovation to newly established capital improvement program project account no. 980x203x252045, "Biochar Facility Equipment - Ohio EPA"; and AUTHORIZING the Director of Finance to deposit the grant resources into capital improvement program project account no. 980x203x252045, "Biochar Facility Equipment - Ohio EPA."

This Ordinance was Recommend Passage Emergency to the Cincinnati City Council

8. ORDINANCE submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on

5/14/2025, AUTHORIZING the City Manager to accept an in-kind donation of ten Saris Infrastructure Deluxe Public Work Stands and ten Saris Infrastructure Outdoor Bike Pumps valued at up to \$25,000 from the Devou Good Foundation to facilitate bicycle transportation within Cincinnati.

This Ordinance was Recommend Passage to the Cincinnati City Council

9. ORDINANCE submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 5/14/2025, AUTHORIZING the City Manager to accept in-kind donations of various plants to benefit and improve City parks and restoration services for the Black Brigade monument valued at approximately \$77,845.75.

This Ordinance was Recommend Passage to the Cincinnati City Council

PAYMENTS

10. ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY) submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 5/14/2025, AUTHORIZING the payment of \$150,013.26 from Stormwater Management Fund Stormwater Management Utility non-personnel operating budget account no. 107x311x4000x7264 to Rack & Ballauer Excavating Company, Inc. for outstanding charges related to stormwater infrastructure repair services for the period of May 10, 2024 to April 9, 2025, pursuant to the attached then and now certificate from the Director of Finance.

This Ordinance was Recommend Passage Emergency to the Cincinnati City Council

CAPITAL BUDGET REALIGNMENT

11. ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY) submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 5/14/2025, ESTABLISHING capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x252376, "Hillside Stairway Rehabilitation" to provide resources for the inspection, rehabilitation, replacement, and/or removal of City-owned hillside stairways; AUTHORIZING the transfer and return to source Funds 758 and 858 of \$436,000 from various permanent improvement program project accounts to decrease certain existing permanent improvement program project accounts and better align sources with uses, according to Schedule A of the attached Schedule of Transfer; and AUTHORIZING the transfer and appropriation of \$436,000 from the unappropriated surplus of Funds 758 and 858 to new and existing capital and permanent improvement program project accounts to better align sources with uses for certain capital and permanent improvement program project accounts, according to Schedule B of the attached Schedule of Transfer, all to carry out the FY 2025 capital

improvement program.

This Ordinance was Recommend Passage Emergency to the Cincinnati City Council

ADJOURNMENT