



# City of Cincinnati

801 Plum Street  
Cincinnati, OH 45202

## Agenda - Final

### Budget and Finance Committee

*Chairperson Jeff Cramerding*  
*Vice Chair Scotty Johnson*  
*Vice Mayor Jan-Michele Kearney*  
*Councilmember Anna Albi*  
*Councilmember Mark Jeffreys*  
*Councilmember Evan Nolan*  
*Councilmember Meeka Owens*  
*President Pro Tem Victoria Parks*  
*Councilmember Seth Walsh*

Monday, May 19, 2025

1:00 PM

Council Chambers, Room 300

### AGENDA

#### FUNDING AGREEMENTS

1. [202500976](#) **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.

**Sponsors:** City Manager

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

2. [202500977](#) **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.

**Sponsors:** City Manager

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

#### TRANSFERS

3. [202500978](#) **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.

**Sponsors:** City Manager

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

### **GRANTS AND DONATIONS**

4. [202500988](#) **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.

**Sponsors:** City Manager

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

5. [202500981](#) **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.
- Sponsors:** City Manager
- Attachments:** [Transmittal](#)  
[Ordinance](#)
6. [202500982](#) **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."
- Sponsors:** City Manager
- Attachments:** [Transmittal](#)  
[Ordinance](#)
7. [202500979](#) **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.
- Sponsors:** City Manager
- Attachments:** [Transmittal](#)  
[Ordinance](#)
8. [202500984](#) **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.
- Sponsors:** City Manager

**Attachments:**     [Transmittal](#)  
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### **PAYMENTS**

9.     [202500980](#)     **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.

**Sponsors:**     City Manager

**Attachments:**     [Transmittal](#)  
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### **CAPITAL BUDGET REALIGNMENT**

10.    [202500983](#)     **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.

**Sponsors:**     City Manager

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ADJOURNMENT

May 14, 2025  
202500976

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

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

**Subject: Emergency Ordinance – OES: Keep Cincinnati Beautiful (KCB)  
Funding Agreement**

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Attached is an Emergency Ordinance captioned:

**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 Emergency Ordinance authorizes 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. This Emergency Ordinance also authorizes the City Manager to expend up to \$79,000 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 KCB for the Don’t Dump the Nati program. Finally, this Emergency Ordinance declares this expenditure to serve a public purpose.

In 2023, KCB began the Don’t Dump the Nati Program in an effort to reduce illegal dumping by providing a place for Cincinnati residents to drop off waste for free. As part of the program, KCB provides dumpsters for yard waste, recycling, scrap metal, construction debris, tires, and more, as well as electronic waste recycling services in collaboration with other community partners.

Providing one-time operational support to KCB’s Don’t Dump the Nati program is in accordance with the “Sustain” goal to “[b]ecome a healthier Cincinnati” and strategy to “[c]reate a healthy environment and reduce energy consumption” as described on pages 181-185 of Plan Cincinnati (2012).

The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to execute a Funding Agreement with KCB in FY 2025, which ends June 30, 2025, to provide one-time operational support for the Don’t Dump the Nati Program.

The Administration recommends passage of this Emergency Ordinance.

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

Attachment



## **EMERGENCY**

**AEP**

**- 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.

WHEREAS, in 2023, Keep Cincinnati Beautiful (“KCB”) began the Don’t Dump the Nati program to reduce illegal dumping by providing a place for Cincinnati residents to drop off waste for free; and

WHEREAS, as part of the program, KCB provides dumpsters for yard waste, recycling, scrap metal, construction debris, tires, and more, as well as electronic waste recycling services in collaboration with other community partners; and

WHEREAS, KCB will submit data reports detailing collection and waste diversion performance to the City; and

WHEREAS, providing one-time operational support to KCB’s Don’t Dump the Nati program is in accordance with the “Sustain” goal to “[b]ecome a healthier Cincinnati” and strategy to “[c]reate a healthy environment and reduce energy consumption” as described on pages 181-185 of Plan Cincinnati (2012); 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 Funding Agreement with Keep Cincinnati Beautiful (“KCB”) to provide one-time operational support for the Don’t Dump the Nati program.

Section 2. That the City Manager is authorized 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.

Section 3. That providing one-time operational support to KCB for the Don't Dump the Nati program is declared to serve a public purpose because it reduces illegal dumping and littering in Cincinnati.

Section 4. That the proper City officials are authorized to do all things necessary and proper to carry out the provisions of Section 1 through 3.

Section 5. 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 6 of the Charter, be effective immediately. The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to execute a Funding Agreement with KCB in FY 2025, which ends June 30, 2025, to provide one-time operational support for the Don't Dump the Nati Program.

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

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Aftab Pureval, Mayor

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



May 14, 2025

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

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

202500977

**Subject: Emergency Ordinance – OES: Green Umbrella Funding Agreement**

Attached is an Emergency Ordinance captioned:

**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 Emergency Ordinance authorizes the City Manager to execute a funding agreement with Green Umbrella to provide one-time operational support for green workforce development. This Emergency Ordinance also authorizes 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. Finally, this Emergency Ordinance declares this expenditure to serve a public purpose.

Providing one-time operational support to Green Umbrella will encourage green workforce development, which focuses on various employment programing among sustainability focus areas, including energy efficiency, renewable energy, climate mobility, zero waste, food systems, green transportation, natural environment, community activation, and resiliency.

Providing one-time operational support to Green Umbrella to support green workforce development in the City is in accordance with the “Sustain” goal to “[b]ecome a healthier Cincinnati” as described on page 181 of Plan Cincinnati (2012).

The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to execute a funding agreement with Green Umbrella in FY 2025, which ends on June 30, 2025, to provide one-time operational support to Green Umbrella for green workforce development

The Administration recommends passage of this Emergency Ordinance.

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



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## **EMERGENCY**

**MSS**

**- 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.

WHEREAS, Green Umbrella is a Greater Cincinnati Regional Climate Collaborative that aims to make communities more climate resilient and equitable while decreasing greenhouse gas emissions; and

WHEREAS, providing one-time operational support to Green Umbrella will encourage green workforce development, which focuses on various types of employment programming among sustainability focus areas, including energy efficiency, renewable energy, climate mobility, zero waste, food systems, green transportation, the natural environment, community activation, and resiliency; and

WHEREAS, green workforce development benefits Cincinnati residents by creating jobs that are self-sustaining, providing opportunities for wealth-building, and promoting a circular economy; and

WHEREAS, Green Umbrella will use these resources to support green workforce development within the city through outreach and educational programming, surveys and assessments, focus area planning, and progress reporting with the objective of helping the city meet the “Education” goal of having “4,000 individuals trained for green economy jobs by 2028” as described on pages 92-93 of the Green Cincinnati Plan (2023); and

WHEREAS, providing one-time operational support to Green Umbrella to support green workforce development in the city is in accordance with the “Sustain” goal to “[b]ecome a healthier Cincinnati” as described on page 181 of Plan Cincinnati (2012); 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 funding agreement with Green Umbrella to provide one-time operational support for green workforce development.

Section 2. That the City Manager is authorized 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.

Section 3. That providing one-time operational support to Green Umbrella is declared to serve a public purpose because encouraging green workforce development in Cincinnati will provide employment training in various sectors including energy efficiency, renewable energy, and sustainability.

Section 4. That the proper City officials are authorized to do all things necessary and proper to carry out the provisions of Sections 1 through 3.

Section 5. 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 6 of the Charter, be effective immediately. The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to execute a funding agreement with Green Umbrella in FY 2025, which ends on June 30, 2025, to provide one-time operational support to Green Umbrella for green workforce development.

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

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Aftab Pureval, Mayor

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

May 14, 2025

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

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

202500978

**Subject: Emergency Ordinance – GCWW: \$15.0 million Transfer from Water Works Fund 101 to Water Works Capital Improvement Fund 101**

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Attached is an Emergency Ordinance captioned:

**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.

Approval of this Emergency Ordinance will authorize 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. The Emergency Ordinance further authorizes the use and expenditures of the transferred amount of \$15,000,000 for Greater Cincinnati Water Works capital improvements.

The transfer of \$15,000,000 to Water Works Capital Improvement Fund 756 to continue funding for the capital improvement program is in accordance with the “Sustain” goal to “[b]ecome a healthier Cincinnati” and strategy to “[c]reate a healthy environment and reduce energy consumption” as described on pages 181-186 of Plan Cincinnati (2012).

The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to fund urgent water main replacement and other Greater Cincinnati Water Works capital projects prior to the end of FY 2025.

The Administration recommends passage of this Emergency Ordinance.

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

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## **EMERGENCY**

**KKF**

**- 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.

WHEREAS, Greater Cincinnati Water Works (“GCWW”) is in need of additional funding for capital improvements, and funds are available to be transferred from the unappropriated surplus of Water Works Fund 101; and

WHEREAS, this supplemental transfer will allow the Administration to address urgent water main replacement needs and other GCWW capital projects prior to the end of FY 2025; and

WHEREAS, enabling GCWW to properly maintain the water treatment and supply system is in accordance with the “Sustain” goal to “[b]ecome a healthier Cincinnati” and strategy to “[c]reate a healthy environment and reduce energy consumption” as described on pages 181-185 of Plan Cincinnati (2012); now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Cincinnati, State of Ohio:

Section 1. That \$15,000,000 is authorized to be transferred from the unappropriated surplus of Water Works Fund 101 to Water Works Capital Improvement Fund 756 to continue funding for the capital improvement program, for new water mains, water main replacements, treatment plant improvements, system development, tanks, pumping stations, private development, equipment, and other water system improvements.

Section 2. That the use and expenditure of \$15,000,000 is authorized for Greater Cincinnati Water Works capital improvements.

Section 3. That the proper City officials are authorized to do all things necessary and proper to carry out the terms of Sections 1 and 2.

Section 4. 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 {00419942-3}

of Article II, Section 6 of the Charter, be effective immediately. The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to fund urgent water main replacement and other Greater Cincinnati Water Works capital projects prior to the end of FY 2025.

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

\_\_\_\_\_  
Aftab Pureval, Mayor

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

May 14, 2025  
202500988

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

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

**Subject:** **Emergency Ordinance – Parks: Grants for Mt. Adams Greenspace (B VERSION)**

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Attached is an Emergency Ordinance captioned:

**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.

The B Version of this Emergency Ordinance adds an authorization for 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 acquisition of the Property. The bargain sale is based on the appraised value of the property.

Approval of this Emergency Ordinance will authorize the City Manager to apply for and accept a grant of up to \$194,990 from the Ohio Public Works Commission (OPWC) Clean

Ohio Green Space Conservation Program as well as to accept a donation of up to \$107,835 from the Cincinnati Parks Foundation, all 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. This Emergency Ordinance will also authorize the appropriation of the grant and donation resources into newly established capital improvement program project accounts.

The OPWC grant requires a minimum 25% local match in the amount of \$48,748, which will be covered by contributions made through the Cincinnati Parks Foundation by the Mt. Adams community and other donors. There are no new FTEs/full time equivalents associated with the OPWC Clean Ohio Fund grant or the donation from the Cincinnati Parks Foundation.

Securing funding to acquire the Property for permanent public access and greenspace preservation is in accordance with the “Sustain” goal to “[p]reserve our natural and built environment” and the “Collaborate” goal to “[w]ork in synergy with the Cincinnati community” as described on pages 193-195 and 209-211 of Plan Cincinnati (2012).

The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to comply with OPWC grant deadlines.

The Administration recommends passage of this Emergency Ordinance.

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

Attachments





## EMERGENCY

IMD/B

- 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.

WHEREAS, Eden Park is one of the City’s premier regional parks, attracting visitors not only from across the Cincinnati region, but from throughout the nation; and

WHEREAS, the property located at the corner of Parkside Place and Martin Drive (Parcel ID 007200020288) (the “Property”) serves as the southern gateway to Eden Park in Mt. Adams; and

WHEREAS, the Cincinnati Park Board owned the Property until 1999, when it was transferred to the Cincinnati Board of Education in exchange for certain other Cincinnati Board of Education properties to become parkland, and although the Property has since been conveyed to other entities and individuals, it has remained undeveloped and preserved as a green space for generations; and

WHEREAS, the Cincinnati Parks Foundation raises funding through endowments and donations that support the operations and capital needs of City parks; and

WHEREAS, the Mt. Adams community, in partnership with the Cincinnati Parks Foundation, has long advocated for the permanent preservation of the Property and has raised funds

to support its acquisition by the City as protected greenspace, and to fund improvements to the Property, including but not limited to trails, trees, and benches (the “Improvements”); and

WHEREAS, in addition to community fundraising, a grant of up to \$194,990 is available from the Ohio Public Works Commission (“OPWC”) Clean Ohio Green Space Conservation Program for the acquisition of the Property to ensure permanent public access and greenspace preservation and to fund the Improvements; and

WHEREAS, on September 19, 2024, the Cincinnati Park Board adopted a resolution authorizing the application for the OPWC grant, and on September 25, 2024, Council passed Ordinance No. 303-2024 allowing the City to apply for the OPWC grant; and

WHEREAS, on November 26, 2024, OPWC notified the Park Board that an award of up to \$194,990 had been approved for the acquisition of the Property and for the Improvements, but no grant funds will be accepted without Council approval; and

WHEREAS, the owner of the Property has also offered the City a bargain sale on the Property’s appraised value in an amount up to \$35,000; and

WHEREAS, the OPWC grant requires a local match of at least \$68,510, which will be provided from resources contributed by the Cincinnati Parks Foundation from the Mt. Adams community and other donors, and by the in-kind donation from the Property owner; and

WHEREAS, there are no new FTEs/full time equivalents associated with the OPWC Clean Ohio Green Space Conservation Program grant or the donation from the Cincinnati Parks Foundation; and

WHEREAS, securing funding to acquire and improve the Property for permanent public access and greenspace preservation is in accordance with the “Sustain” goal to “[p]reserve our natural and built environment” and the “Collaborate” goal to “[w]ork in synergy with the Cincinnati community” as described on pages 193-195 and 209-211 of Plan Cincinnati (2012); 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 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”) and to fund improvements to the Property, including but not limited to trails, trees, and benches (the “Improvements”).

Section 2. That new capital improvement program project account no. 980x203x252043, “Mt. Adams Greenspace Acquisition – OPWC” is established to provide resources for the acquisition of the Property and for the Improvements.

Section 3. That the Director of Finance is authorized to deposit up to \$194,990 of the OPWC grant resources into newly established capital improvement program project account no. 980x203x252043, “Mt. Adams Greenspace Acquisition – OPWC.”

Section 4. That the City Manager is authorized 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.

Section 5. That the Director of Finance is authorized to deposit up to \$107,835 of the donated funds into Parks Private Endowment and Donations Fund 430.

Section 6. That new capital improvement program project account no. 980x203x252044, “Mt. Adams Greenspace Acquisition – Donation” is established to provide resources for the acquisition of the Property and for the Improvements.

Section 7. That the transfer and appropriation up to \$107,835 from Parks Private Endowment and Donations Fund 430 to newly established capital improvement program project account no. 980x203x252044, “Mt. Adams Greenspace Acquisition – Donation” is authorized.

Section 8. That the City Manager is authorized 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.

Section 9. That the proper City officials are authorized to do all things necessary and proper to carry out the terms of the OPWC grant, the donation, and Sections 1 through 8.

Section 10. 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 6 of the Charter, be effective immediately. The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to comply with OPWC grant deadlines.

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

\_\_\_\_\_  
Aftab Pureval, Mayor

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

May 14, 2025

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

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

202500981

**Subject: Emergency Ordinance – Parks: Ohio History Connection (OHC) Grant for Historic Park Signage**

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Attached is an Emergency Ordinance captioned:

**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.

Approval of this Emergency Ordinance will authorize 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 for the restoration and installation of historic park signs. The Emergency Ordinance further authorizes establishment of capital improvement program project account no. 980x203x252046, “Historic Park Signs – Grant,” to provide resources for the restoration and installation of historic park signs and authorizes the Director of Finance to deposit the grant resources of up to \$14,051 into the newly established capital improvement program project account. Finally, this Emergency Ordinance authorizes the City Manager to enter into any agreements necessary for the receipt and administration of the Ohio History Fund grant resources.

The grant requires a local match of forty percent of project costs, which will be covered by resources currently available in existing capital improvement program project account no. 980x203x222016, “Parks Signs/Furnishings/Fences/Railings Improvements.” There are no new FTEs/full time equivalents associated with this grant.

Securing grant funding to restore and install of historic park signage is in accordance with the “Sustain” goal to “[p]reserve our natural and built environment” and the “Collaborate” goal to “[w]ork in synergy with the Cincinnati community” and the strategy to “[u]nite our communities” as described on pages 193 and 209-211 of Plan Cincinnati (2012).

The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to comply with the established grant deadlines.

The Administration recommends passage of this Emergency Ordinance.

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

Attachment



## **EMERGENCY**

**AEP**

**- 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.

WHEREAS, the Ohio History Connection’s Ohio History Fund Program provides funding for preservation of Ohio’s heritage through history-related projects; and

WHEREAS, the City submitted a grant application seeking support for the restoration and installation of historic bronze park signs and was notified of an award of \$14,051 on February 21, 2025, however no grant funds will be accepted without approval by Council; and

WHEREAS, the grant requires a local match of forty percent of project costs, which will be covered by resources currently available in existing capital improvement project account no. 980x203x222016, “Parks Signs/Furnishings/Fences/Railings Improvements”; and

WHEREAS, there are no new FTEs/full time equivalents associated with this grant; and

WHEREAS, securing grant funding to restore and install historic park signage is in accordance with the “Sustain” goal to “[p]reserve our natural and built environment” and the “Collaborate” goal to “[w]ork in synergy with the Cincinnati community” and strategy to “[u]nite our communities” as described on pages 193 and 209-211 of Plan Cincinnati (2012); now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Cincinnati, State of Ohio:

Section 1. That the Director of Finance is authorized to establish new capital improvement program project account no. 980x203x252046, “Historic Park Signs – Grant,” to provide resources for the restoration and installation of historic park signs.

Section 2. That the City Manager is authorized to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant of up to \$14,051 from the Ohio History Connection’s Ohio History Fund Program.

Section 3. That the Director of Finance is authorized to deposit the grant resources of up to \$14,051 into capital improvement program project account no. 980x203x252046, “Historic Park Signs – Grant.”

Section 4. That the City Manager is authorized to enter into any agreements necessary for the receipt and administration of the Ohio History Fund grant resources.

Section 5. That the proper City officials are authorized to do all things necessary and proper to carry out the terms of the Ohio History Fund grant and Sections 1 through 4.

Section 6. 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 6 of the Charter, be effective immediately. The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to comply with the established grant deadlines.

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

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

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Aftab Pureval, Mayor



202500981 May 14, 2025

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

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

**Subject:** **Emergency Ordinance – Parks: Biochar Facility Equipment Ohio EPA Grant**

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Attached is an Emergency Ordinance captioned:

**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.”

Approval of this Emergency Ordinance will authorize the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant of up to \$97,085 from the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (OEPA) Office of Environmental Innovation to support the purchase of equipment necessary to process wood waste into biochar within the new processing facility. This Emergency Ordinance further authorizes the establishment of new capital improvement program project account no. 980x203x252045, “Biochar Facility Equipment – Ohio EPA,” to provide resources for the purchase of biochar processing equipment and authorizing the Director of Finance to deposit the grant resources of up to \$97,085 into the newly established capital improvement program project account.

The grant requires a local match of \$24,271, which will be provided from existing resources in capital improvement program project account no. 980x203x222004, “Biochar Replication Facility.” There are no new FTEs/full time equivalents associated with this grant.

Providing equipment for a biochar processing facility is in accordance with the “Sustain” goal to “[b]ecome a healthier Cincinnati” and strategy to “[c]reate a healthy environment and reduce energy consumption” as well as the goal to “[p]reserve our natural and built environment” as described on pages 181-185 and 193 of Plan Cincinnati (2012).

The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to comply with grant deadlines for acceptance of funds.

The Administration recommends passage of this Emergency Ordinance.

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

Attachment



## **EMERGENCY**

**MSS**

**- 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.”

WHEREAS, a new biochar processing facility will soon be constructed in Eden Park; and

WHEREAS, a grant of \$97,085 is available from the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency Office of Environmental Innovation to support the purchase of equipment necessary to process wood waste into biochar within the new processing facility; and

WHEREAS, the City applied for the grant on December 5, 2024, and was notified of an award on April 2, 2025, however no grant funds will be accepted without approval by Council; and

WHEREAS, this grant requires a local match of \$24,271, which will be provided from existing resources in capital improvement program project account no. 980x203x222004, “Biochar Replication Facility”; and

WHEREAS, there are no new FTEs/full time equivalents associated with this grant; and

WHEREAS, providing equipment for a biochar processing facility is in accordance with the “Sustain” goal to “[b]ecome a healthier Cincinnati” and strategy to “[c]reate a healthy environment and reduce energy consumption” as well as the goal to “[p]reserve our natural and built environment” as described on pages 181-185 and 193 of Plan Cincinnati (2012); now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Cincinnati, State of Ohio:

Section 1. That new capital improvement program project account no. 980x203x252045, “Biochar Facility Equipment – Ohio EPA,” is established to provide resources for the purchase of equipment necessary to process wood waste into biochar within the City’s biochar processing facility.

Section 2. That the City Manager is authorized 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.”

Section 3. That the Director of Finance is authorized to deposit the grant resources into capital improvement program project account no. 980x203x252045, “Biochar Facility Equipment – Ohio EPA.”

Section 4. That the proper City officials are authorized to do all things necessary and proper to carry out the terms of the grant and Sections 1 through 3.

Section 5. 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 6 of the Charter, be effective immediately. The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to comply with grant deadlines for acceptance of funds.

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

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

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Aftab Pureval, Mayor

May 14, 2025

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

202500979

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

**Subject: Ordinance – OES: Devou Good Foundation In-Kind Donation**

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Attached is an Ordinance captioned:

**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.

Approval of this Ordinance authorizes 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.

The donated materials will help build a network of bicycle repair stations to support easier bicycle transportation within Cincinnati by enabling riders to quickly resolve mechanical issues with bicycle equipment.

Acceptance of this in-kind donation does not require matching funds, and no FTEs/full time equivalents are associated with acceptance of this donation.

Building a network of bicycle repair stations is in accordance with the “Connect” goal to “[d]evelop an efficient multi-modal transportation system that supports neighborhood livability” and strategy to “[p]lan, design and implement a safe and sustainable transportation system” as described on pages 129-137 of Plan Cincinnati (2012).

Building a network of bicycle repair stations supports the “Mobility” focus area goal to “[i]ncrease the number of residents within 0.25 mile of safe bike and pedestrian infrastructure 50 percent from 2022 levels by 2030” and strategy to “[i]mprove bike and pedestrian connectivity so that residents can safely access the places they need to go” as described on pages 118-119 of the 2023 Green Cincinnati Plan.

The Administration recommends passage of this Ordinance.

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

Attachment



**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.

WHEREAS, the Devou Good Foundation donated ten Saris Infrastructure Deluxe Public Work Stands and ten Saris Infrastructure Outdoor Bike Pumps to the City; and

WHEREAS, the donated materials will help build a network of bicycle repair stations to support easier bicycle transportation within Cincinnati by enabling riders to quickly resolve mechanical issues with bicycle equipment; and

WHEREAS, acceptance of this in-kind donation does not require matching funds, and no FTEs/full time equivalents are associated with acceptance of this donation; and

WHEREAS, building a network of bicycle repair stations is in accordance with the “Connect” goal to “[d]evelop an efficient multi-modal transportation system that supports neighborhood livability” and strategy to “[p]lan, design and implement a safe and sustainable transportation system” as described on pages 129-137 of Plan Cincinnati (2012); and

WHEREAS, building a network of bicycle repair stations supports the “Mobility” focus area goal to “[i]ncrease the number of residents within 0.25 mile of safe bike and pedestrian infrastructure 50 percent from 2022 levels by 2030” and strategy to “[i]mprove bike and pedestrian connectivity so that residents can safely access the places they need to go” as described on pages 118-119 of the 2023 Green Cincinnati Plan; now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Cincinnati:

Section 1. The City Manager is authorized 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.

Section 2. That the proper City officials are authorized to do all things necessary and proper to carry out the terms of Section 1.

Section 3. That this ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

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

\_\_\_\_\_  
Aftab Pureval, Mayor

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

**May 14, 2025**

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

202500984

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

**Subject: Ordinance – Parks: 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter 2024 In-Kind Donations**

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Attached is an Ordinance captioned:

**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.

Approval of this Ordinance will authorize the City Manager to accept in-kind donations from the Cincinnati Parks Foundation of various plants to benefit and improve City parks as well as restoration services for the Black Brigade monument, located in Smale Riverfront Park, valued at approximately \$77,845.75.

The in-kind donations and contributions include the following:

Name	Description	Amount
Casting Arts & Technologies	Black Brigade Repairs	\$5,100.00
Case Lawn Care, LLC	Plants	\$9,681.00
Natorp Landscape Supply	Trees	\$28,021.75
Woody Warehouse Nursery, Inc.	Trees	\$22,348.00
Natorp Landscape Supply	Trees	\$6,595.00
Quail Ridge Specimen Trees, LLC	Trees	\$6,100.00
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$77,845.75</b>

The in-kind donations do not require matching funds. There are no new FTEs/full time equivalents associated with these donations.

Acceptance of in-kind donations to benefit and improve City parks is in accordance with the “Sustain” goal to “[p]reserve our natural and built environment” as described on page 193 of Plan Cincinnati (2012).

The Administration recommends passage of this Ordinance.

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



Attachments



**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.

WHEREAS, the Cincinnati Parks Foundation intends to donate various plants to benefit and improve City parks as well as restoration services for the Black Brigade monument located in Smale Riverfront Park; and

WHEREAS, the total value of the in-kind donations is approximately \$77,845.75; and

WHEREAS, acceptance of this in-kind donation does not require matching funds, and there are no new FTEs/full time equivalents associated with this donation; and

WHEREAS, acceptance of in-kind donations to benefit and improve City parks is in accordance with the “Sustain” goal to “[p]reserve our natural and built environment” as described on page 193 of Plan Cincinnati (2012); 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 accept in-kind donations from the Cincinnati Parks Foundation of various plants to benefit and improve City parks and restoration services for the Black Brigade monument valued at approximately \$77,845.75, as outlined in Attachment A.

Section 2. That the proper City officials are authorized to do all things necessary and proper to carry out the terms of Section 1.

Section 3. That this ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

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

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

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Aftab Pureval, Mayor

## Attachment A

### Cincinnati Parks Foundation 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter 2024 In-Kind Donations Greater than \$5,000

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Name	Description	Amount
Casting Arts & Technologies	Black Brigade Repairs	\$5,100.00
Case Lawn Care, LLC	Plants	\$9,681.00
Natorp Landscape Supply	Trees	\$28,021.75
Woody Warehouse Nursery, Inc.	Trees	\$22,348.00
Natorp Landscape Supply	Trees	\$6,595.00
Quail Ridge Specimen Trees, LLC	Trees	\$6,100.00
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$77,845.75</b>

May 14, 2025

To: Mayor and Members of City Council

202500980

From: Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager

Subject: **Emergency Ordinance – Stormwater Management Utility (SMU): Then and Now Payment to Rack & Ballauer Excavating Company, Inc.**

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Attached is an Emergency Ordinance captioned:

**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.

Approval of this Emergency Ordinance would authorize 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.

On October 1, 2022, the City entered into Contract 221W046032 with Rack & Ballauer Excavating Company, Inc. for stormwater infrastructure repair services. On May 10, 2024, the Stormwater Management Utility authorized work under the existing contract, but funds were not properly certified to the contract when this work was performed. In April 2025, the Contractor invoiced the City \$150,013.26 for stormwater infrastructure repair services.

Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code (ORC) 5705.41(D)(1), the Director of Finance has issued a certificate, attached to this ordinance, verifying that a sufficient sum was appropriated and in the City Treasury for the purpose of paying such charges under the contract both at the time the services were authorized and at the time the attached certificate was issued.

The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to make payment to Rack & Ballauer Excavating Company, Inc. for the outstanding charges in a timely manner.

The Administration recommends passage of this Emergency Ordinance.

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

Attachment

## **EMERGENCY**

**JWF**

**-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.

WHEREAS, on October 1, 2022, the City entered into Contract 221W046032 with Rack & Ballauer Excavating Company, Inc. (“Contractor”) for stormwater infrastructure repair services; and

WHEREAS, on May 10, 2024, the Stormwater Management Utility authorized work under the existing contract, but funds were not properly certified to the contract when this work was performed; and

WHEREAS, in April 2025, Contractor invoiced the City \$150,013.26 for stormwater infrastructure repair services; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Ohio Revised Code 5705.41(D)(1), the Director of Finance has issued a certificate, attached to this ordinance, verifying that a sufficient sum was appropriated and in the City Treasury for the purpose of paying such charges under the contract both at the time the services were authorized and at the time the attached certificate was issued; and

WHEREAS, Council desires to provide payment to Contractor for the City’s outstanding obligation of \$150,013.26 for completed stormwater infrastructure repair services from May 10, 2024 to April 9, 2025; now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Cincinnati, State of Ohio:

Section 1. That the Director of Finance is authorized to pay \$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 provided to the City for the period of May 10, 2024 to April 9, 2025.

Section 2. That the proper City officials are authorized to do all things necessary and proper to carry out the provisions of Section 1.

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 6 of the Charter, be effective immediately. The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to make payment to Rack & Ballauer Excavating Company, Inc. for the outstanding charges in a timely manner.

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

\_\_\_\_\_  
Aftab Pureval, Mayor

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

**CITY OF CINCINNATI**  
**DIRECTOR OF FINANCE**  
**THEN AND NOW CERTIFICATE**

I, Steve Webb, Director of Finance for the City of Cincinnati, state the following:

WHEREAS, on October 1, 2022, the City entered into Contract 221W046032 with Rack & Ballauer Excavating Company, Inc. for stormwater infrastructure repair services; and

WHEREAS, on May 10, 2024, the Stormwater Management Utility authorized work under the existing contract, but funds were not properly certified to the contract when this work was performed; and

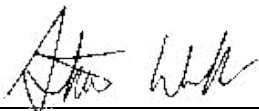
WHEREAS, in April 2025, Rack & Ballauer Excavating Company, Inc. invoiced the City \$150,013.26 for stormwater infrastructure repair services provided for the period of May 10, 2024 to April 9, 2025; and

WHEREAS, Rack & Ballauer Excavating Company, Inc. has therefore not been compensated for the services it provided pursuant to the contract in the amount of \$150,013.26;

NOW, THEREFORE,

1. As of May 10, 2024 and as of the date this certificate was executed, I hereby verify that the City Treasury held a sufficient sum that was appropriated and available to pay for stormwater infrastructure repair services rendered under Contract 221W046032 with Rack & Ballauer Excavating Company, Inc. This verification is conditioned upon and subject to Council's approval of an ordinance authorizing the drawing of a warrant in payment of amount due to Rack & Ballauer Excavating Company, Inc. during this time period.

Signed,



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Steve Webb, Director of Finance  
City of Cincinnati

Date: 5/2/25

May 14, 2025

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

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

202500983

**Subject: Emergency Ordinance: FY 2025 Capital Budget Realignment**

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Attached is an Emergency Ordinance captioned:

**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.

Approval of this Emergency Ordinance would authorize the transfer and return to source of \$436,000 from two existing permanent improvement program project accounts, according to Schedule A. This Emergency Ordinance would also authorize the transfer and appropriation of the sum of \$436,000 from the unappropriated surplus of Funds 758 and 858 to an existing permanent improvement program project account as well as a newly established capital improvement program project account, according to Schedule B.

Better alignment of sources with uses can be achieved by limiting the financing of permanent improvement program project accounts to resources from Income Tax Permanent Improvement Fund 758. Establishing a new capital improvement program project account and financing the account with resources from both Street Improvement Bond Fund 858 and Income Tax Permanent Improvement Fund 758 also better aligns sources with uses.

Better alignment of sources with uses is in accordance with the "Sustain" goal to "[m]anage our financial resources" and strategy to "[b]etter coordinate our capital improvement spending" as described on pages 199-200 of Plan Cincinnati (2012).

The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to ensure that necessary funding is in place to carry out the FY 2025 capital improvement program.

The Administration recommends passage of this Emergency Ordinance.

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

Attachment





## EMERGENCY

JWF

-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.

WHEREAS, limiting the financing of permanent improvement program project accounts to resources from Income Tax Permanent Improvement Fund 758 better aligns sources with uses; and

WHEREAS, establishing a new capital improvement program project account and financing the account with a combination of resources such as Street Improvement Bond Fund 858 and Income Tax Permanent Improvement Fund 758 also better aligns sources with uses; and

WHEREAS, better alignment of sources with uses is in accordance with the “Sustain” goal to “[m]anage our financial resources” and strategy to “[b]etter coordinate our capital improvement spending” as described on pages 199-200 of Plan Cincinnati (2012); now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Cincinnati, State of Ohio:

Section 1. That new capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x252376, “Hillside Stairway Rehabilitation,” is established to provide resources for the inspection, rehabilitation, replacement, and/or removal of City-owned hillside stairways.

Section 2. That the transfer and return to source Funds 758 and 858 of \$436,000 from various permanent improvement program project accounts is authorized 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.

Section 3. That 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 is authorized 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.

Section 4. That the proper City officials are authorized to do all things necessary and proper to carry out the terms of Sections 1 through 3.

Section 5. 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 6 of the Charter, be effective immediately. The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to ensure that necessary funding is in place to carry out the FY 2025 capital improvement program.

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

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Aftab Pureval, Mayor

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

## Schedule A.

That the amounts set forth hereinafter are hereby returned to source in the amount of \$436,000.00 to the individual funds listed hereinafter:

DEPT. DIVISION	PROJECT OR FUND TO BE TRANSFERRED FROM		PROJECT OR FUND TO BE TRANSFERRED TO		TOTAL BUDGETED COST ALL FUNDS		AMOUNT TO BE APPROPRIATED OR TRANSFERRED
	NUMBER:	DESCRIPTION	NUMBER:	DESCRIPTION	PRIOR	REVISED	
Transp. & Eng. Engineering 233	252377 (PERM)	Hillside Stairway Rehabilitation Program	758	Income Tax Permanent Improvement Fund	428,000.00	250,000.00	178,000.00
	252377 (PERM)	Hillside Stairway Rehabilitation Program	858	Street Improvement Bond Fund	250,000.00	0.00	250,000.00
Transp. & Eng. Traffic Eng. 239	252318 (PERM)	Gas Street Light Upgrade and Replacement	858	Street Improvement Bond Fund	24,000.00	16,000.00	8,000.00

## Schedule B.

That the amounts set forth hereinafter totaling \$436,000.00 are hereby transferred and appropriated to the individual project accounts for the improvements listed hereinafter:

DEPT. DIVISION	PROJECT OR FUND TO BE TRANSFERRED FROM		PROJECT OR FUND TO BE TRANSFERRED TO		TOTAL BUDGETED COST ALL FUNDS		AMOUNT TO BE APPROPRIATED OR TRANSFERRED
	NUMBER:	DESCRIPTION	NUMBER:	DESCRIPTION	PRIOR	REVISED	
Transp. & Eng. Engineering 233	758	Income Tax Permanent Improvement Fund	252376	Hillside Stairway Rehabilitation	0.00	170,000.00	170,000.00
	858	Street Improvement Bond Fund	252376	Hillside Stairway Rehabilitation	170,000.00	428,000.00	258,000.00
Transp. & Eng. Traffic Eng. 239	758	Income Tax Permanent Improvement Fund	252318 (PERM)	Gas Street Light Upgrade and Replacement	16,000.00	24,000.00	8,000.00