

EMERGENCY

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AUTHORIZING the transfer of and return to source the sum of \$1,944,178 from capital improvement program project account no. 980x164x231624, “Neighborhood Business Development – GFCO,” to the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050; **AUTHORIZING** the transfer and appropriation of the sum of \$1,944,178 from the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050 to the Department of Community and Economic Development, of which \$1,790,200 is transferred to General Fund non-personnel operating budget account no. 050x164x7200, \$108,435 is transferred to General Fund personnel operating budget account no. 050x164x7100, and \$45,543 is transferred to General Fund employee benefits operating budget account no. 050x164x7500, for the purpose of providing resources for predevelopment soft costs, feasibility studies, project delivery, and permanent improvement expenses to private property for various projects in the City as part of the Neighborhood Catalytic Capital Investment Program; and **DECLARING** that the projects funded as part of the Neighborhood Catalytic Capital Investment Program serve a public purpose because the projects will foster local improvements and investment and increase neighborhood vitality.

WHEREAS, the City established a Neighborhood Catalytic Capital Investment Program with the goal of supporting transformative neighborhood projects by awarding financial assistance to projects in either pre-development or implementation stages (“Program”); and

WHEREAS, the funding provided by this ordinance will support City investment in numerous projects that have been selected to receive assistance through the Program, specifically for predevelopment soft costs, feasibility studies, project delivery, and improvement expenses, which projects are further described herein; and

WHEREAS, the funding will provide up to \$100,000 for the Imperial 280 LLC and Imperial Theatre Mohawk Alliance in Over-the-Rhine for Imperial Theatre Pre-Development; and

WHEREAS, the funding will provide up to \$100,000 for Price Hill Will in East Price Hill for 3509 Warsaw Ave. Pre-Development costs; and

WHEREAS, the funding will provide up to \$100,000 for the Robert O’Neal Multicultural Arts Center in the West End for The Regal Project Pre-Development costs; and

WHEREAS, the funding will provide up to \$100,000 for the Uptown Consortium Inc. in Avondale for Innovation Greenway Schematic Design of Public Greenspace; and

WHEREAS, the funding will provide up to \$100,000 for the Seven Hills Neighborhood Houses in the West End for the First German Reformed Church Pre-Development costs; and

WHEREAS, the funding will provide up to \$100,000 for the Camp Washington Urban Redevelopment Corporation in Camp Washington for 2965 Colerain Avenue Pre-Development costs; and

WHEREAS, the funding will provide up to \$100,000 for the Clifton Heights CURC in CUF for 495 Riddle/496 Sandheger Pre-Development costs; and

WHEREAS, the funding will provide up to \$100,000 for the American Sign Museum for Phase II of the Museum Expansion project for food service equipment; and

WHEREAS, the funding will provide up to \$20,200 for the Village Development Corporation in Spring Grove Village for Pocket Park Implementation; and

WHEREAS, the funding will provide up to \$320,000 for the West End Sports Bar & Grill in the West End for 1726 Linn St. redevelopment; and

WHEREAS, the funding will provide up to \$150,000 for ArtWorks in Walnut Hills for Creative Campus Redevelopment; and

WHEREAS, the funding will provide up to \$500,000 for the YWCA in Avondale for New Shelter Renovation; and

WHEREAS, investing in neighborhood catalytic projects is in accordance with the “Live” goal to “[c]reate a more livable community” as described on page 156, the “Connect” goal to “[d]evelop an efficient multi-modal transportation system that supports neighborhood livability” as described on page 129, and the “Compete” goal to “[c]ultivate our position as the most vibrant and economically healthiest part of our region,” as described on page 114 of Plan Cincinnati (2012); now, therefore,

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

Section 1. That the transfer and return to source of the sum of \$1,944,178 from capital improvement program project account no. 980x164x231624, “Neighborhood Business Development – GFCO,” to the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050 is hereby authorized.

Section 2. That the sum of \$1,944,178 is hereby transferred and appropriated from the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050 to the Department of Community and Economic Development, of which \$1,790,200 is transferred to General Fund non-personnel operating budget account no. 050x164x7200, \$108,435 is transferred to General Fund personnel operating budget account no. 050x164x7100, and \$45,543 is transferred to General Fund employee benefits

operating budget account no. 050x164x7500, for the purpose of providing resources for predevelopment soft costs, feasibility studies, project delivery, and permanent improvement expenses to private property for various projects in the City as part of the Neighborhood Catalytic Capital Investment Program.

Section 3. That the projects funded as part of the Neighborhood Catalytic Capital Investment Program are hereby declared to serve a public purpose because the projects will foster local improvements and investment and increase neighborhood vitality.

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, all for the purpose of providing resources for predevelopment soft costs, feasibility studies, project delivery, and improvement expenses for various projects in the City as part of the Neighborhood Catalytic Capital Investment Program.

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 deploy funding for the described Cincinnati neighborhood catalytic projects.

Passed: _____, 2023

Aftab Pureval, Mayor

Attest: _____
Clerk