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To: Mayor and Members of City Council
From: Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager
Subject: **Ordinance Modifying CMC for 1.8% Earnings Tax Rate**

Transmitted herewith is an Ordinance captioned as follows:

MODIFYING Chapter 311 of the Cincinnati Municipal Code, “City of Cincinnati Income Tax,” by AMENDING Sections 311-3, “Purposes; Imposition of Tax; Tax Rates,” 311-7, “Allocation of Funds,” and 311-23, “Collection at Source; Withholding from Qualifying Wages,” to include changes to the City’s earnings tax rate to comply with Article VIII, Section 6c of the Charter of the City.

On March 17, 2020, voters approved a sales and use tax to provide a dedicated source of funding for the Metro bus system (SORTA Sales Tax Levy). The levy triggered an amendment to Article VIII, Section 6c of the City Charter to reduce the City’s earnings tax rate from 2.1% to 1.8%, effective October 1, 2020. This ordinance modifies Chapter 311 of the Cincinnati Municipal Code to align with the City Charter.

The Administration recommends passage of this Ordinance.

cc: William “Billy” Weber, Assistant City Manager
Karen Alder, Finance Director

Attachment