


May 24, 2023

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

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

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**Subject: Emergency Ordinance – Public Safety Mid-Year Budget Transfers**

Attached is an Emergency Ordinance captioned:

**AUTHORIZING** the transfer of \$325,000 from the Cincinnati Fire Department General Fund personnel operating budget account no. 050x271x7100 to Cincinnati Fire Department General Fund non-personnel operating budget account no. 050x271x7300 for the purpose of purchasing equipment and supplies for the upcoming Fire Recruit Class 121 beginning on June 11, 2023; and **AUTHORIZING** the transfer of \$65,000 from the Emergency Communications Center General Fund personnel operating budget account no. 050x103x7100 to the City Manager's Office General Fund non-personnel operating budget account no. 050x101x7200 for the purpose of providing resources to extend a contract for public safety consultant services.

Approval of this Emergency Ordinance will authorize the transfer of \$325,000 from the Cincinnati Fire Department's (CFD) personnel operating budget account no. 050x271x7100 to the Cincinnati Fire Department's non-personnel operating budget account no. 050x271x7300 for the purpose of purchasing equipment and supplies for the upcoming Fire Recruit Class 121 beginning on June 11, 2023. This Emergency Ordinance will further authorize the transfer of \$65,000 from the Emergency Communications Center (ECC) personnel operating budget account no. 050x103x7200 to the City Manager's Office non-personnel operating budget account no. 050x101x7200 for the purpose of providing resources to extend a contract for public safety consultant services.

Fire Recruit Class 121 will train 55 new Fire Recruits over a twenty-week training period. The Approved FY 2023 Budget Update included \$670,000 for equipment and supplies for Recruit Class 121, but additional resources are now required. \$325,000 in existing FY 2023 CFD personnel resources is available for transfer to the non-personnel operating budget to purchase the necessary items.

The City has been under contract for public safety consultant services and wishes to extend the contract. \$65,000 in existing ECC personnel savings is available to transfer to the City Manager's Office to extend the contract.

Providing additional non-personnel resources for Fire Recruit Class 121 and the public safety consultancy contract is in accordance with the “Live” goal to “[c]reate a more livable community” and strategy to “[s]upport and stabilize our communities” as described on pages 156-163 of Plan Cincinnati (2012).

The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to transfer resources to purchase equipment and supplies before the start of Fire Recruit Class 121 and to extend the City’s public safety consultancy contract.

The Administration recommends passage of this Emergency Ordinance.

cc: Andrew M. Dudas, Budget Director  
Karen Alder, Finance Director



Attachment