

EMERGENCY

City of Cincinnati

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An Ordinance No. _____

- 2021

AUTHORIZING the establishment of American Rescue Plan grant project account no. 469x091xARP064, "Cybersecurity," for the purpose of providing funds for the upgrade and expansion of the City's cybersecurity program during the FY 2022 Budget; **AUTHORIZING** the appropriation of the sum of \$430,375 from the unappropriated surplus of Local Fiscal Recovery Fund 469 to the newly established American Rescue Plan grant project account no. 469x091xARP064, "Cybersecurity," for the purpose of providing funds for the upgrade and expansion of the City's cybersecurity program during the FY 2022 Budget; and further **DECLARING** expenditures from American Rescue Plan grant project account no. 469x091xARP064, "Cybersecurity," to be for a public purpose.

WHEREAS, the City is eligible to receive funding from the United States Department of the Treasury pursuant to the American Rescue Plan Act as part of the Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund Act and additional guidance is forthcoming regarding eligible uses of such funds; and

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 pandemic has generated an increase in the need for employees to work virtually and remotely; and

WHEREAS, there has been an increased level of threats from phishing emails and hackers during the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, the City must invest more in cybersecurity to reduce threats to City systems; and

WHEREAS, the funds appropriated pursuant to this ordinance are being provided to the Enterprise Technology Solutions Department to continue to implement the City's cybersecurity plan to reduce and minimize cyber threats; now, therefore,

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

Section 1. That the Director of Finance is hereby authorized to establish American Rescue Plan grant project account no. 469x091xARP064, "Cybersecurity," for the purpose of providing funds for the upgrade and expansion of the City's cybersecurity program during the FY 2022 Budget.

Section 2. That the sum of \$430,375 is hereby appropriated from the unappropriated surplus of Local Fiscal Recovery Fund 469 to the newly established American Rescue Plan grant project account no. 469x091xARP064, "Cybersecurity," for the purpose of providing funds for the upgrade and expansion of the City's cybersecurity program during the FY 2022 Budget.

Section 3. That expenditures from American Rescue Plan grant project account no. 469x091xARP064, "Cybersecurity," are hereby declared to be for a public purpose because of the need to reduce cyber threats to City systems and information, which is necessary because of the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic.

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 hereof.

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 implement authorized American Rescue Plan-related support programs.

Passed: _____, 2021

John Cranley, Mayor

Attest: _____
Clerk