

May 14, 2025

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

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

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

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

Attachment

