

Date: April 10, 2024

To: Mayor and Members of City Council 202401081  
From: Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager  
Subject: ORDINANCE - Mt. Adams Pedestrian Bridges Over I-71 and US 22

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Attached is an ordinance captioned as follows:

**AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to take all necessary and proper actions to cooperate with the Director of the Ohio Department of Transportation to facilitate the replacement of pedestrian bridges with a new shared-use path bridge over Interstate 71, Interstate 471, and U.S. Route 22 from Van Meter Street, in the Mount Adams neighborhood, to East Court Street in connection with the Ohio Department of Transportation's bridge construction and maintenance project in the City of Cincinnati.

The Ohio Department of Transportation, (ODOT), through their bridge maintenance project PID No. 102790 has identified a need to replace the pedestrian bridge system that spans both I-471 and I-71 and connects East Court Street in downtown Cincinnati to Van Meter Street in Mt. Adams.

The Project will not cause a change of use to City property and/or right-of-way. Impacted City property and/or right-of-way will be improved at ODOT Project cost. The State of Ohio has requested that all City property and necessary right-of-way in the Project area be made available in accordance with current state and federal regulations.

The State of Ohio will provide 100% of the eligible Project scope of work cost.

The Department of Transportation and Engineering, (DOTE), has reviewed and approved the proposed Project. Any changes to the street layout and/or significant changes to City property or right-of-way are subject to Planning Commission review and approval, but no such changes have been identified at this stage of the Project.

The State of Ohio will own and maintain the new bridge system. The State of Ohio and the City desire for the City to continue to its existing maintenance responsibilities of the City owned right-of-way in the Project area for public highway purposes.

The Administration recommends passage of the attached ordinance.

cc: John S. Brazina, Director, Transportation and Engineering