



City of Cincinnati

Cincinnati City Council

Meeting Minutes

801 Plum Street
Cincinnati, Ohio 45202

Wednesday, November 8, 2023 2:00 PM Council Chambers, Room 300

REVISED

Council convened at 2:01 P.M., Mayor Aftab Pureval, Presiding.

ROLL CALL

Vice Mayor Jan-Michele Kearney, Councilmember Liz Keating, Councilmember Jeff Cramerding, Councilmember Reggie Harris, Councilmember Mark Jeffreys, Councilmember Scotty Johnson, Councilmember Meeka Owens, President Pro Tempore Victoria Parks, and Councilmember Seth Walsh

In attendance were City Manager Sheryl Long, City Solicitor Emily Smart Woerner and Clerk of Council Melissa Autry.

Council observed a moment of silent prayer and recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

There being no objection, the Minutes of the previous session of Council were ordered Approved and Filed.

MAYOR AFTAB

1. **MOTION**, submitted by Mayor Aftab Pureval, **WE MOVE** that the City of Cincinnati cancel the Council Session scheduled for November 22, 2023.

[202302375](#)

Adopted

Yes:

- Vice Mayor Kearney
- Councilmember Keating
- Councilmember Cramerding
- Councilmember Harris
- Councilmember Jeffreys
- Councilmember Johnson
- Councilmember Owens
- President Pro Tempore Parks
- Councilmember Walsh

MR. WALSH

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2. **RESOLUTION**, submitted by Councilmember Walsh, from Emily Smart Woerner, City Solicitor, **RECOGNIZING** Harvey Lewis for his accomplishments in the running and ultramarathon communities and **EXPRESSING** the appreciation of the Mayor and Council for his world record completion of the Big Dog's Backyard Ultra, an ultramarathon where runners run until there is one runner remaining. [202302351](#)

Passed

Yes: Vice Mayor Kearney
Councilmember Keating
Councilmember Cramerding
Councilmember Harris
Councilmember Jeffreys
Councilmember Johnson
Councilmember Owens
President Pro Tempore Parks
Councilmember Walsh
Enactment No: 0076-2023

3. **ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY)**, submitted by Councilmember Walsh, from Emily Smart Woerner, City Solicitor, **DECLARING** that President Drive at Nottingham Road in the Villages at Roll Hill neighborhood shall hereby receive the honorary, secondary name of "Coach Michael Stafford Way" in honor of Michael Stafford and in recognition of his contributions to the Cincinnati community as a national recognized boxing coach. [202302312](#)

Referred to Healthy Neighborhoods Committee

MR. HARRIS

MR. JEFFREYS

4. **ORDINANCE**, submitted by Councilmembers Harris and Jeffreys, from Emily Smart Woerner, City Solicitor, **ESTABLISHING** certain policies and conditions regarding the application of residential Community Reinvestment Area real property tax abatements for the Arcadia housing project in the Oakley neighborhood of Cincinnati, notwithstanding Ordinance No. 106-2023 [202302198](#)

Referred to Budget & Finance Committee

MR. HARRIS

MS. OWENS

MR. CRAMERDING

MR. WALSH

5. **MOTION**, submitted by Councilmembers Harris, Owens, Cramerding and Walsh, **WE MOVE** that the administration input buildings identified as [202302310](#)

historically significant with intent for future designation in neighborhood or community plans passed by Council and the Planning Commission into the CAGIS system. This should apply retroactively to past plans and be implemented moving forward if community plans specifically call out sites or areas that they would like to explore a designation for. **WE FURTHER MOVE** that the city explore further ways of notifying parties involved in a property transfer that there has been community and city-approved intent for historic designation. (STATEMENT ATTACHED)

Referred to Equitable Growth & Housing Committee

MS. OWENS

MR. JEFFREYS

6. **MOTION**, submitted by Councilmembers Owens and Jeffreys, **WE MOVE** [202302343](#) that the Administration provide a report back to Council within sixty (60) days on an assessment of the City's failing infrastructure. (BALANCE ON FILE IN THE CLERK'S OFFICE) (STATEMENT ATTACHED).

Referred to Climate, Environment & Infrastructure Committee

CITY MANAGER

7. **ORDINANCE** submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 11/8/2023, **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to accept and deposit a donation of \$65,483 from the Cincinnati Park Board Commissioners' Fund into Fund No. 430, "Parks Private Endowment and Donations," to provide resources for improvements to Sawyer Point to eliminate safety hazards, halt deterioration of infrastructure, and make aesthetic improvements to the park; and **AUTHORIZING** the transfer and appropriation of \$65,483 from the unappropriated surplus of Fund No. 430, "Parks Private Endowment and Donations," to capital improvement program project account no. 980x203x232036, "Sawyer Point Improvements." [202302311](#)

Referred to Budget & Finance Committee

8. **ORDINANCE** submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 11/8/2023, **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to accept an in-kind donation of a therapy dog, related equipment and supplies, and training services from K9s for Warriors, valued at up to \$10,576, to be used by the Cincinnati Fire Department's Peer Support Program. [202302313](#)

Referred to Budget & Finance Committee

9. **ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY)** submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 11/8/2023, **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to accept an in-kind donation of third-party professional services from FC Cincinnati valued at up to \$151,775 for the construction and installation of a mini-pitch soccer facility at Lunken Play Field. [202302314](#)

Referred to Budget & Finance Committee

10. **ORDINANCE** submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on [202302316](#)

11/8/2023, **AUTHORIZING** the repayment of a fund advance of \$200,000 from the unappropriated surplus of Emergency Shelter Grant Fund 445 to the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050.

Referred to Budget & Finance Committee

- 11. ORDINANCE** submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 11/8/2023, **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to accept an in-kind donation of goods and professional services from Perfect North Slopes, through Corbeau Ski Club, valued at approximately \$36,550 to support the Cincinnati Recreation Commission's Ski and Snowboard program. [202302317](#)

Referred to Budget & Finance Committee

- 12. ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY)** submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 11/8/2023, **ADOPTING** the Hamilton County Emergency Management & Homeland Security Agency's "2023 Hamilton County Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan," which will allow the City of Cincinnati to be eligible for future disaster mitigation funds provided by the Federal Emergency Management Agency. [202302326](#)

Referred to Budget & Finance Committee

BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

- 13. ORDINANCE** submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 11/1/2023, **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant of up to \$34,560 from the Murray & Agnes Seasongood Good Government Foundation to administer an internship program; and **AUTHORIZING** the Director of Finance to deposit the grant funds into Citizens Jobs Fund revenue account no. 308x8571. [202302290](#)

Passed

Yes: Vice Mayor Kearney
Councilmember Keating
Councilmember Cramerding
Councilmember Harris
Councilmember Jeffreys
Councilmember Johnson
Councilmember Owens
President Pro Tempore Parks
Councilmember Walsh
Enactment No: 0371-2023

Suspension of the three readings

Yes: Vice Mayor Kearney
Councilmember Keating
Councilmember Cramerding
Councilmember Harris
Councilmember Jeffreys
Councilmember Johnson
Councilmember Owens
President Pro Tempore Parks
Councilmember Walsh
Enactment No: 0371-2023

14. ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY) submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 11/1/2023, **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to accept an in-kind donation of 168 cases of water valued at \$1,083.60 from the Alpine Valley Water Company to be used by the Cincinnati Police Department.

[202302284](#)

Passed Emergency

Yes: Vice Mayor Kearney
Councilmember Keating
Councilmember Cramerding
Councilmember Harris
Councilmember Jeffreys
Councilmember Johnson
Councilmember Owens
President Pro Tempore Parks
Councilmember Walsh
Enactment No: 0372-2023

Emergency clause to remain

Yes: Vice Mayor Kearney
Councilmember Keating
Councilmember Cramerding
Councilmember Harris
Councilmember Jeffreys
Councilmember Johnson
Councilmember Owens
President Pro Tempore Parks
Councilmember Walsh
Enactment No: 0372-2023

Suspension of the three readings

Yes: Vice Mayor Kearney
 Councilmember Keating
 Councilmember Cramerding
 Councilmember Harris
 Councilmember Jeffreys
 Councilmember Johnson
 Councilmember Owens
 President Pro Tempore Parks
 Councilmember Walsh
 Enactment No: 0372-2023

- 15. ORDINANCE** submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 11/1/2023, **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to execute a Lease Agreement with Broadway Square II, LLC pursuant to which the City will lease for a term of up to five years a portion of City-owned property located at 1205-1209 Broadway in Over-the-Rhine. (BROADWAY SQUARE II LLC/THE MODEL GROUP. THE TERM OF THE LEASE IS ONLY 5 YEARS AT \$1,175 PER YEAR)

[202302287](#)

Passed

Yes: Vice Mayor Kearney
 Councilmember Keating
 Councilmember Cramerding
 Councilmember Harris
 Councilmember Jeffreys
 Councilmember Johnson
 Councilmember Owens
 President Pro Tempore Parks
 Councilmember Walsh
 Enactment No: 0373-2023

Suspension of the three readings

Yes: Vice Mayor Kearney
 Councilmember Keating
 Councilmember Cramerding
 Councilmember Harris
 Councilmember Jeffreys
 Councilmember Johnson
 Councilmember Owens
 President Pro Tempore Parks
 Councilmember Walsh
 Enactment No: 0373-2023

- 16. ORDINANCE** submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 11/1/2023, **ACCEPTING AND CONFIRMING** the dedication to public use

[202302297](#)

of an approximately 0.005-acre tract of real property as a portion of the Moerlein Avenue public right-of-way for street purposes in the CUF neighborhood of Cincinnati.

Passed

Yes: Vice Mayor Kearney
Councilmember Keating
Councilmember Cramerding
Councilmember Harris
Councilmember Jeffreys
Councilmember Johnson
Councilmember Owens
President Pro Tempore Parks
Councilmember Walsh
Enactment No: 0374-2023

Suspension of the three readings

Yes: Vice Mayor Kearney
Councilmember Keating
Councilmember Cramerding
Councilmember Harris
Councilmember Jeffreys
Councilmember Johnson
Councilmember Owens
President Pro Tempore Parks
Councilmember Walsh
Enactment No: 0374-2023

- 17. REPORT**, dated 11/6/2023, submitted Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, regarding the City Manager's Self Evaluation 2022-2023.

[202302325](#)

Approved & Filed

No announcements at this time.

Council adjourned at 2:23 P.M.