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MOTION

WE MOVE that the Administration draft a report addressing the potential advantages or disadvantages, feasibility, and benefits to transparency of the following guardrails for the CSR Trust and the implementation of the Cincy on Track Plan:

- Identifying a targeted "hard floor" for the Capital Improvement Program with the goal of increasing annually with inflation to help ensure that increases from the railway trust will contribute to direct increases in the Capital Improvement Program.
- 2) An annual estimate of the city's amount of deferred maintenance which could serve as a benchmark against which progress in addressing the backlog of maintenance requirements can be measured. Such an estimate should be updated during the fiscal year.
- 3) Create and update lists of the top ten deferred maintenance projects, one by neighborhood and one by department, that provide the status of each project including any changes in cost, schedule, and estimated projected project date (understanding that future councils would need to appropriate funds to specific projects to achieve their completion).
- 4) An official report that contains a majority of, if not all of the above data points that would be presented by the city manager to the mayor and the council with the annual budget process.

BACKGROUND

As we stated during the successful campaign, the sale of the Cincinnati Southern Railway offers a critical opportunity to address the city's critical failing infrastructure and to provide the foundation for a better Cincinnati. This motion builds upon the administration's Cincy on Track report and has the potential of helping to provide additional clarity, transparency, and assurances that our goals are to have the railway trust be used successfully to maintain existing infrastructure which can lead to measurable increases in the capital budget.

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