



# City of Cincinnati

## Budget and Finance Committee

### Meeting Minutes

Chairperson Reggie Harris  
Vice Chair Jeff Cramerding  
Councilmember Mark Jeffreys  
Councilmember Scotty Johnson  
Vice Mayor Jan-Michele Kearney  
Councilmember Anna Albi  
Councilmember Meeka Owens  
Councilmember Seth Walsh  
President Pro Tem Victoria Parks

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**Monday, May 6, 2024**

**1:00 PM**

**Council Chambers, Room 300**

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**Present:** Mark Jeffreys  
Anna Albi  
Jan-Michele Kearney  
Jeff Cramerding  
Meeka Owens  
Reggie Harris  
Scotty Johnson  
Seth Walsh  
Victoria Parks

The meeting began at 1:04 p.m. and ended at 1:22 p.m.

### **AGENDA**

#### **TRANSFERS AND APPROPRIATIONS**

1. ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY), submitted by Vice Mayor Kearney, from Emily Smart Woerner, City Solicitor, AUTHORIZING the transfer and return of \$1,000,000 to source Fund No. 050, "General Fund," from capital improvement program project account no. 980x162x231606, "Housing Stability - GF"; and AUTHORIZING the transfer and appropriation of \$1,000,000 from the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050 to the Department of Community and Economic Development FY 2024 non-personnel operating budget account no. 050x162x7400 to provide one-time resources

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for the Homecare Tax Relief Program that will aid and assist in the payment of delinquent property taxes for low-to-moderate income single family homeowners within the City of Cincinnati.

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2. ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY), submitted by Councilmember Owens, from Emily Smart Woerner, City Solicitor, AUTHORIZING the transfer of \$2,000 within the General Fund from Councilmember Meeka Owens' General Fund personnel operating budget account no. 050x025x7100 to Councilmember Meeka Owens' General Fund non-personnel operating budget account no. 050x025x7200 to realign the office budget for Councilmember Meeka Owens.

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### **GRANTS**

3. ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY) submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 5/1/2024, AUTHORIZING the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant of up to \$490,930 from the Energy Futures Grant program (ALN 81.041) awarded by the United States Department of Energy to Environment and Sustainability Fund 436; and AUTHORIZING the Director of Finance to deposit grant resources into Environment and Sustainability Fund revenue account no. 436x8543.

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4. ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY) submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 5/1/2024, ESTABLISHING new capital improvement program project account no. 980x104x241049, "Spinney Field Energy Efficiency Grant," to provide resources for the installation of energy efficiency upgrades to the Police Training Academy at Spinney Field; AUTHORIZING the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant up to \$250,000 from the U.S. Department of Energy State Energy Program (ALN 81.041) awarded by the Ohio Department of Development Energy Efficiency Program to newly established capital improvement program project account no. 980x104x241049, "Spinney Field Energy Efficiency Grant";

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and AUTHORIZING the Director of Finance to deposit the grant resources into capital improvement program project account no. 980x104x241049, "Spinney Field Energy Efficiency Grant."

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5. ORDINANCE submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 5/1/2024, AUTHORIZING the City Manager to apply for grant resources from the Clean Ohio Trails Fund grant program to be awarded by the Ohio Department of Natural Resources in an amount up to \$500,000 for the purpose of providing resources for the Little Miami Scenic Trail, Elstun to Ranchvale, Shared Use Path (PID 115291).

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6. ORDINANCE submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 5/1/2024, AUTHORIZING the City Manager to apply for grants of up to \$8,000,000 from the federal Surface Transportation Block Grant and Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (ALN 20.205) grant programs; for a grant of up to \$1,000,000 from the Transportation Alternatives Grant (ALN 20.205) awarded by the Ohio-Kentucky-Indiana Regional Council of Governments; for Metro Transit Infrastructure Fund grants awarded by Cincinnati Metro; for grants awarded by the Ohio Public Works Commission; and for Municipal Road Fund grants awarded by Hamilton County, all to fund various Department of Transportation and Engineering transportation projects.

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### **PROJECT TIF**

7. ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY) submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 5/1/2024, AUTHORIZING the City Manager to execute a Funding and Development Agreement with RBM Development Company, LLC, for the redevelopment of property located near the intersection of Red Bank Expressway and Madison Road in the Madisonville neighborhood of Cincinnati, pursuant to which the City will assign service payments in lieu of real property taxes imposed in connection with a proposed thirty-year property tax exemption for improvements pursuant to Ohio

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Revised Code Section 5709.40(B), subject to the passage by Council of a separate ordinance authorizing such exemption, to the Port of Greater Cincinnati Development Authority to facilitate the redevelopment of the property. (Subject to the Temporary Prohibition List <<https://www.cincinnati-oh.gov/law/ethics/city-business>>).

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8. ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY) submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 5/1/2024, DECLARING improvements to certain parcels of real property located near the intersection of Red Bank Expressway and Madison Road in the Madisonville neighborhood of Cincinnati, which improvements are to be constructed pursuant to a Funding and Development Agreement between the City of Cincinnati and RBM Development Company, LLC, to be a public purpose and exempt from real property taxation for a period of thirty years pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 5709.40(B); and AMENDING Ordinance No. 414-2005, passed on November 2, 2005, as amended, to remove such real property from the operation of that ordinance. (Subject to the Temporary Prohibition List <<https://www.cincinnati-oh.gov/law/ethics/city-business>>).

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9. ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY) (B VERSION) submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 5/6/2024, DECLARING improvements to certain parcels of real property located near the intersection of Red Bank Expressway and Madison Road in the Madisonville neighborhood of Cincinnati, which improvements are to be constructed pursuant to a Funding and Development Agreement between the City of Cincinnati and RBM Development Company, LLC, to be a public purpose and exempt from real property taxation for a period of thirty years pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 5709.40(B); and AMENDING Ordinance No. 414-2005, passed on November 2, 2005, as amended, to remove such real property from the operation of that ordinance. (Subject to the Temporary Prohibition List <<https://www.cincinnati-oh.gov/law/ethics/city-business>>).

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**REPORT**

10. REPORT, dated 5/1/2024, submitted Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, regarding the Department of Finance Reports for the Month Ended February 29, 2024. [202401279](#)

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**CONVENTION CENTER**

11. ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY) submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 5/6/2024, AMENDING Ordinance No. 311-2002 to provide for the pledge of a portion of the City's transient occupancy tax revenues to the Port of Greater Cincinnati Development Authority to finance the Duke Energy Convention Center and related improvements. [202401301](#)

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12. ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY) submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 5/6/2024, AMENDING Ordinance No. 356-2002, as previously amended by Ordinance 385-2003 and Ordinance No. 426-2003; and MODIFYING the purpose of Duke Energy Convention Center Fund 307 to provide for the City's use of certain hotel tax revenues. [202401303](#)

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13. ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY) submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 5/6/2024, MODIFYING the purpose of Duke Energy Convention Center Fund 103 to provide for the City's use of certain hotel tax revenues. [202401305](#)

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