

EMERGENCY

City of Cincinnati

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An Ordinance No. 345

- 2023

AUTHORIZING the transfer of \$473,648 from the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050 to balance sheet reserve account no. 050x2580, "Reserve for Weather Events, Other Emergency and One-Time Needs," to provide resources for unanticipated emergencies, including those caused by unusual weather events, to increase the City's reserve; **ESTABLISHING** new balance sheet reserve account no. 050x3425, "Affordable Housing," within the General Fund; **AUTHORIZING** the transfer of \$5,000,000 from the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050 to newly created balance sheet reserve account no. 050x3425 "Affordable Housing," to provide a one-time contribution to the City's Affordable Housing Trust Fund; **AUTHORIZING** the transfer and appropriation of \$2,000,000 from the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050 to the City Manager's Office personnel operating budget account no. 050x101x7500 to provide a one-time contribution to address the City's pension obligation to the Cincinnati Retirement System; **AUTHORIZING** the transfer of \$500,000 from the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050 to balance sheet reserve account no. 050x2535, "Reserve for Operating Budget Contingencies," to provide resources for subsequent appropriation for one-time unforeseen operating needs that arise during the remainder of the ongoing fiscal year; **AUTHORIZING** the transfer of \$150,000 from the General Fund balance sheet reserve account no. 050x2535, "Reserve for Operating Budget Contingencies," to the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050; **AUTHORIZING** the transfer and appropriation of \$150,000 from the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050 to the various General Fund operating budget accounts according to the attached Schedule A of the General Fund Operating Budget Schedule of Appropriation to provide one-time funds for the following: the City Manager's Office for a project to digitize records for multiple City departments (\$45,000); the City Manager's Office for detail needs at special events (\$50,000); and the Department of Community and Economic Development for a tax abatement study (\$55,000); and **AUTHORIZING** the transfer of \$10,945,646 from the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050 to balance sheet reserve account no. 050x3440, "Infrastructure and Capital Project Reserve," to provide resources for subsequent appropriation by Council for identified one-time infrastructure and capital projects for identified urgent needs or as part of the next annual budget cycle.

WHEREAS, in 2015, in Ordinance No. 253-2015, Council adopted a Stabilization Funds Policy to define appropriate funding for the City's various reserve funds, with such policy being later revised in 2019 through Ordinance No. 213-2019 and revised again in 2022 through Ordinance No. 56-2022; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the terms of the Stabilization Funds Policy, the Administration recommends transferring funds into the "Reserve for Weather Events, Other Emergency and One-Time Needs"; now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Cincinnati, State of Ohio:

Section 1. That \$473,648 is transferred from the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050 to balance sheet reserve account no. 050x2580, "Reserve for Weather Events, Other Emergency and One-Time Needs," to provide resources for unanticipated emergencies, including those caused by unusual weather events, to increase the City's reserve.

Section 2. That new balance sheet reserve account no. 050x3425, "Affordable Housing," within the General Fund is established.

Section 3. That \$5,000,000 is transferred from the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050 to newly created balance sheet reserve account no. 050x3425, "Affordable Housing," to provide a one-time contribution to the City's Affordable Housing Trust Fund.

Section 4. That \$2,000,000 is transferred and appropriated from the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050 to the City Manager's Office personnel operating budget account no. 050x101x7500 to provide a one-time contribution to address the City's pension obligation to the Cincinnati Retirement System.

Section 5. That \$500,000 is transferred from the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050 to balance sheet reserve account no. 050x2535, "Reserve for Operating Budget Contingencies," to provide resources for subsequent appropriation for one-time unforeseen operating needs that arise during the remainder of the ongoing fiscal year.

Section 6. That \$150,000 is transferred from the General Fund balance sheet reserve account no. 050x2535, "Reserve for Operating Budget Contingencies," to the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050.

Section 7. That \$150,000 is transferred and appropriated from the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050 to various General Fund operating budget accounts according to the attached Schedule A of the General Fund Operating Budget Schedule of Appropriation to provide one-time

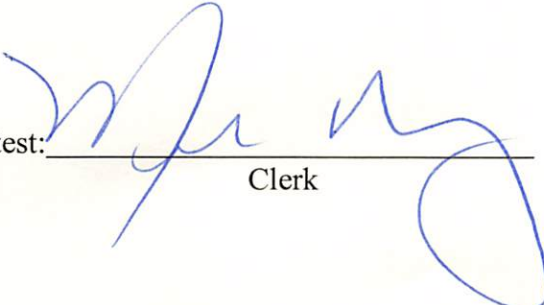
funds for the following: the City Manager's Office for a project to digitize records for multiple City departments (\$45,000); the City Manager's Office for detail needs at special events (\$50,000); and the Department of Community and Economic Development for a tax abatement study (\$55,000).

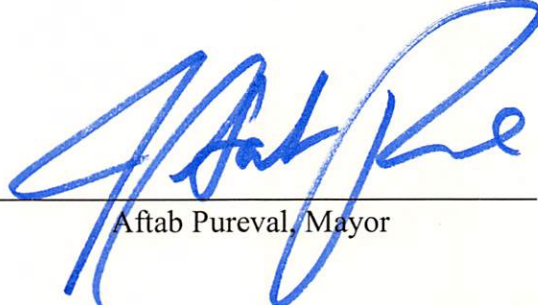
Section 8. That \$10,945,646 is transferred from the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050 to balance sheet reserve account no. 050x3440, "Infrastructure and Capital Project Reserve," to provide resources for subsequent appropriation by Council for identified one-time infrastructure and capital projects for identified urgent needs or as part of the next annual budget cycle.

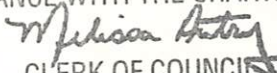
Section 9. That the appropriate City officials are authorized to do all things necessary and proper to implement the provisions of Sections 1 through 8.

Section 10. That this ordinance shall be an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, safety, and general welfare and shall, subject to the terms of Article II, Section 6 of the Charter, be effective immediately. The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to accomplish the authorized transfers and appropriations so that the funding described herein is in place immediately and so that the necessary expenditures described herein may be made as soon as possible.

Passed: October 18, 2023

Attest: 
Clerk


Aftab Pureval, Mayor

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT ORDINANCE NO 345-2023
WAS PUBLISHED IN THE CITY BULLETIN
IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CHARTER ON 10/31/2023

CLERK OF COUNCIL