



# City of Cincinnati

## Budget and Finance Committee

### Meeting Minutes

Chairperson David Mann  
Vice Chair Chris Seelbach  
Councilmember Steve Goodin  
Councilmember Jan-Michele Kearney  
Councilmember Liz Keating  
Councilmember Greg Landsman  
Councilmember Betsy Sundermann  
Councilmember Wendell Young

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**Monday, February 8, 2021**      **1:00 PM**      **Council Chambers, Room 300**

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The Budget and Finance Committee called the meeting to order at 1:05 p.m.

#### ROLL CALL

**Present:** Chairperson Mann  
Jan-Michele Kearney  
Steve Goodin  
Greg Landsman  
Betsy Sundermann

**Remote:** Vice Chair Chris Seelbach  
Wendell Young  
Liz Keating

Also in attendance was Assistant City Manager Chris Bigham, Director of Finance Karen Alder, Assistant City Solicitor Emily Woemer, Director of Community and Economic Development Markiea Carter and Clerk to the Committee Robert Neely. Also via zoom: Ronnise Handy, Michael Forrester, Oliver Kroner, Steve Pacella, John Brazina, Nicole Lee, Morgan Sutter and Katherine Keough-Jurs.

The following registered to speak remotely during the meeting: Tracy Schwegmann, Gary Hebbeler and Ryan Gentil.

#### PRESENTATIONS

##### Cincinnati Fire Department Budget

#### AGENDA

1. PRESENTATION submitted by Paula Boggs Muething, City Manager, dated 2/8/2021, regarding Fire Department FY 2022-2023 Biennial Operating Budget needs.

[202100563](#)

Filed

2. **REPORT**, dated 2/3/2021, submitted by Paula Boggs Muething, City Manager, regarding Transit Corridor Zoning Study Plan. (SEE REFERENCE DOC #202002127) [202100463](#)

Approve & File

3. **ORDINANCE** submitted by Paula Boggs Muething, City Manager, on 2/3/2021, **Establishing** new capital improvement program project account no. 980x195x211920, "Reeves Driving Range Reconstruction"; and **AUTHORIZING** the transfer and appropriation of \$775,000 from the unappropriated surplus of Municipal Golf Activities Fund 105 to newly established capital improvement program project account no. 980x195x211920, "Reeves Driving Range Reconstruction," for the purpose of reconstructing the Reeves Driving Range. [202100466](#)

Recommend Passage

Enactment No: 0040-2021

4. **ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY)** submitted by Paula Boggs Muething, City Manager, on 2/3/2021, **AUTHORIZING** the payment of \$90,398.36 from the Finance Department's non-personnel operating budget account no. 151x134x0000x7289 as a moral obligation to Nuveen Asset Management, LLC for investment management and investment advisory services provided to the City of Cincinnati. [202100467](#)

Recommend Passage Emergency

Enactment No: 0041-2021

5. **ORDINANCE** submitted by Paula Boggs Muething, City Manager, on 2/3/2021, **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to execute a *Grant of Easement* in favor of Duke Energy Ohio, Inc., granting a utility easement over a portion of City-owned property generally located at 2026 Seymour Avenue in the Roselawn neighborhood of Cincinnati. [202100468](#)

Recommend Passage

Enactment No: 0042-2021

6. **ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY)** submitted by Paula Boggs Muething, City Manager, on 2/3/2021, **AUTHORIZING** the establishment of new capital improvement program project account no. 980x164x211638, "E. Freedom Way Public Improvements - TIF," for the purpose of providing resources to facilitate the construction of various public improvements related to the closure of a portion of East Freedom Way and creation of a pedestrian plaza; **AUTHORIZING** the transfer and appropriation of \$150,000 from the unappropriated surplus of Downtown South/Riverfront Equivalent Fund 481 to newly established capital improvement program project account no. 980x164x211638, "E. Freedom Way Public Improvements - TIF," for the purpose of providing resources to facilitate the construction the various public improvements related to the closure of a portion [202100562](#)

of East Freedom Way and creation of a pedestrian plaza including, but not limited to, removable bollards placed in the street to prevent vehicular access to the area and minor electrical work to provide power to the area; DECLARING expenditures from capital improvement program project account no. 980x164x211638, "E. Freedom Way Public Improvements - TIF," to be for a public purpose because the projects will foster local improvements and investment and increase neighborhood vitality.

Recommend Passage Emergency

Enactment No: 0043-2021

7. **ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY)** submitted by Paula Boggs Muething, City Manager, on 2/3/2021, **REPEALING AND REPLACING** Ordinance No.23-2021, passed by Cincinnati City Council on January 21, 2021, in order to APPROVE an application for the creation of a designated outdoor refreshment area to be known as the "DORA at The Banks," pursuant to Chapter 838 of the Cincinnati Municipal Code, "Outdoor Refreshment Areas," and to AUTHORIZE the City Manager to take all necessary and proper actions to provide for the operation and maintenance of the designated outdoor refreshment area.

[202100574](#)

Recommend Passage Emergency

Enactment No: 0044-2021

8. **MOTION**, submitted by Councilmember Sundermann and Keating, **WE MOVE** that the Administration prioritize in the FY22 budget funding for 40 recruits for Fire Recruit Class #118 to ensure that start date is no later than July 1, 2021, and for 40 recruits for Fire Recruit Class #119 to target a start date of April 1, 2022. **WE FURTHER MOVE** that the Administration continue to pursue SAFER grant funding opportunities when available to assist in offsetting the cost of these recruit classes. (STATEMENT ATTACHED)

[202100278](#)

Held

9. **ORDINANCE EMERGENCY**, dated 12/10/2020, submitted by Councilmember Greg Landsman, from Andrew W. Garth, Interim City Solicitor, ESTABLISHING and City Council policy for evaluating real property tax incentives authorized by the City of Cincinnati.

[202002226](#)

Held

10. **MOTION**, submitted by Councilmember Landsman, **WE MOVE** that if there is a conflict between the ordinance containing the Balanced Development Scorecard policy passed in connection herewith and the existing commercial CRA policy in Ordinance No. 275-2017, it's the policy of Council that the Balanced Development scorecard policy applies.

[202100291](#)

Held

11. **COMMUNICATION**, dated 02/05/2021, submitted by Councilmember Landsman, regarding "Balanced Development Scorecard Packet",

[202100597](#)

Held

ADJOURNMENT

The Budget and Finance Committee adjourned at 2:40 p.m.