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**Mark Jeffreys**  
Councilmember

## **Motion: Fix Our Roads**

June 15, 2026

WE MOVE that the \$2M in funds currently recommended for the Farmer Music Center be directed into street repaving to fix our public Cincinnati roads.

### **STATEMENT**

The Department of Transportation & Engineering (DOTE) has shared that with the current budget allocation they will be able to repave 70 lane miles of road in the next fiscal year vs the target of 100 lane miles of road per year. With ~3,000 lane miles of road, that means that DOTE will be able to repave ~2% of the total roads without any additional investment or efficiency. At that rate it would take the City of Cincinnati about 50 years to repave all roads vs what is needed. Note: depending on the type of street, most need to be repaved every 10-30 years.

Our roads must be a priority for investment. They are in horrible shape. DOTE used to repave over 100 lane miles per year. We need to get back to that level, and there is no reason we can't do it. This incremental funding will help, along with additional efficiencies being explored by DOTE including potentially bringing street repaving in-house and exploring having a city-owned asphalt facility.

The Farmers Music Center will be an amazing venue that brings more economic vitality to our region. However, given the choice of investing public dollars in a private music venue that has other financing options, and the urgent need to fix our roads, we need to prioritize fixing our roads.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE BOARD

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