

EMERGENCY

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- 2026

AUTHORIZING the City Manager to accept and appropriate a donation of up to \$1,200,000 from Tri-State Trails for the fabrication and installation of donor-recognition and wayfinding signs along the Cincinnati Riding or Walking Network (CROWN) loop trail; and **AUTHORIZING** the Director of Finance to deposit the donated funds into City Trails Fund revenue account no. 437x8571.

WHEREAS, the Cincinnati Riding or Walking Network (“CROWN”) is a planned 34-mile trail loop that will connect existing and planned trails and link Cincinnati communities to parks, schools, employment centers, retail, recreation, and entertainment; and

WHEREAS, Tri-State Trails coordinated a fundraising effort to secure private donations from businesses, foundations, and individuals to advance the development and completion of the CROWN loop, and has previously donated funds to the City for this purpose; and

WHEREAS, Tri-State Trails has generously offered this donation of up to \$1,200,000 for the fabrication and installation of donor-recognition and wayfinding signs along the CROWN loop trail; and

WHEREAS, after the signage is installed, Tri-State Trails will be responsible for keeping it in good repair throughout its useful life; and

WHEREAS, this donation does not require matching funds, and there are no FTEs/full time equivalents associated with this donation; and

WHEREAS, developing trail projects is in accordance with the “Connect” goal to “[d]evelop an efficient multi-modal transportation system that supports neighborhood livability” as well as strategies to “[e]xpand options for non-automotive travel” and to “[p]lan, design, and implement a safe and sustainable transportation system” as described on pages 129-137 of Plan Cincinnati (2012); now, therefore,

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

Section 1. That the City Manager is authorized to accept and appropriate a donation of up to \$1,200,000 from Tri-State Trails for the fabrication and installation of donor-recognition and wayfinding signs along the Cincinnati Riding or Walking Network (“CROWN”) loop.

Section 2. That the Director of Finance is authorized to deposit the donated funds into City Trails Fund revenue account no. 437x8571.

Section 3. That the proper City officials are authorized to do all things necessary and proper to carry out the terms of the donation and Sections 1 and 2.

Section 4. 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 accept the donation and complete the necessary steps so that the CROWN loop signage may be procured and installed before the end of 2026.

Passed: _____, 2026

Aftab Pureval, Mayor

Attest: _____
Clerk