

August 1, 2022

To: Members of the Budget and Finance Committee

From: John P. Curp, Interim City Manager *WJW*

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Subject: Emergency Ordinance – DOTE: ODOT Urban Transit Program Grant Application

Attached is an Emergency Ordinance captioned:

AUTHORIZING the City Manager to apply for financial assistance from the Ohio Department of Transportation for transit purposes under the Ohio Urban Transit Program for state fiscal year 2023.

This Emergency Ordinance authorizes the City Manager to apply for financial assistance from the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) for transit purposes under the Ohio Urban Transit Program (UTP) for state fiscal year 2023.

The City is a direct recipient of Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5307 funds and is eligible to apply for financial assistance for the Connector streetcar project under the UTP for state fiscal year 2023.

The Ohio UTP grant does not require a local match. No new FTEs are required.

Applying for Ohio UTP resources to support the Connector streetcar is in accordance with the “Connect” goal to “[d]evelop an efficient multi-modal transportation system that supports neighborhood livability” and strategy to “[p]lan, design, and implement a safe and sustainable transportation system,” as described on pages 129-138 of Plan Cincinnati (2012).

The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to submit an application to ODOT under the UTP in order to meet applicable program deadlines.

The Administration recommends passage of this Emergency Ordinance.

cc: Andrew M. Dudas, Budget Director
Karen Alder, Finance Director

Attachment

