



City of Cincinnati

Cincinnati City Council

Meeting Minutes

801 Plum Street
Cincinnati, Ohio 45202

Wednesday, January 7, 2026 2:00 PM Council Chambers, Room 300

Council convened at 2:37 P.M., Mayor Aftab Pureval, Presiding.

ROLL CALL

Vice Mayor Jan-Michele Kearney, President Pro Tempore Scotty Johnson, Councilmember Ryan James, Councilmember Meeka Owens, Councilmember Evan Nolan, Councilmember Seth Walsh, Councilmember Anna Albi, Councilmember Jeff Cramerding, and Councilmember Mark Jeffreys

In attendance were City Manager Sheryl Long, City Solicitor Emily Smart Woerner and Clerk of Council Anthony Covington.

Council observed a moment of silent prayer and recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

There being no objection, the Minutes of the previous session of council were Approved and Filed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code 121.22(G)(1)

MS. OWENS

1. **ORDINANCE**, submitted by Councilmember Owens, **MODIFYING** the provisions of Chapter 1041, "Environmental Advisory Board," of the Cincinnati Municipal Code by **AMENDING** Section 1041-5, "Board membership, meetings, and governance," to increase the maximum number of Environmental Advisory Board members. [202600036](#)

Referred to Budget, Finance & Governance Committee

CITY MANAGER

2. **REPORT**, dated 1/7/2026, submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, regarding Special Event Permit Application for Red Leprechaun 2026 St. Patrick's Day Block Party. [202600002](#)
3. **REPORT**, dated 1/7/2026, submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, [202600003](#)

regarding Special Event Permit Application for Queen City Slam 2026.

Filed

4. **REPORT**, dated 1/7/2026, submitted Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, regarding Sawyer Point Playground Replacement. (Reference Document # 202402487)

[202600004](#)

Referred to Budget, Finance & Governance Committee

5. **REPORT**, dated 1/7/2026, submitted Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, regarding the Finance and Budget Monitoring Report for the Period Ending September 30, 2025.

[202600005](#)

Referred to Budget, Finance & Governance Committee

6. **ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY)** submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 1/7/2026, **DESIGNATING** the Brinker Building located at 4030 Glenway Avenue in the West Price Hill neighborhood as a local historic landmark.

[202600006](#)

Referred to Housing & Growth Committee

7. **REPORT**, dated 1/7/2026, submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, regarding Special Event Permit Application for Bockfest 2026.

[202600012](#)

Filed

8. **REPORT**, dated 1/7/2026 submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on a communication from the State of Ohio, Division of Liquor Control, advising of a permit application for BT NATURALS LLC, 309 VINE ST SUITE 201. (08978465-3, TRFO, D-5) [OBJECTIONS: YES]

[202600013](#)

Filed

9. **ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY)** submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 1/7/2026, **AUTHORIZING** a payment of \$14,750 from the Cincinnati Police Department Criminal Activity Forfeiture - State Fund non-personnel operating budget account no. 369x227x4010x7299 as a moral obligation to The S.T.A.R. Chapter Foundation, Inc. for outstanding charges related to the Rising STAR Youth Bowling Program, which was awarded funding through the City's Community Preventive Education Program.

[202600014](#)

Referred to Budget, Finance & Governance Committee

10. **ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY)** submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 1/7/2026, **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to accept an in-kind donation of six Trek Service Electric mountain bikes valued collectively at approximately \$30,000 and one bicycle towable REX-1 stretcher and towing accessories valued at approximately \$3,700 to be used by the Cincinnati Fire Department's Emergency Medical Bike Unit.

[202600015](#)

Referred to Budget, Finance & Governance Committee

11. **REPORT**, dated 1/7/2026, submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, regarding Special Event Permit Application for 58th Annual Cincinnati St. Patrick's Parade.

[202600016](#)

Filed

12. ORDINANCE submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 1/7/2026, **AMENDING** Ordinance No. 129-2022 to increase the amount of a grant sub-award that the City Manager is authorized to apply for, accept, and appropriate from \$36,000 to \$38,515 because the Cincinnati Police Department provided more services than originally anticipated pursuant to a FY 2022 Improving Criminal Justice Responses to Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking Program (ALN 16.590) grant.

[202600017](#)

Referred to Budget, Finance & Governance Committee

13. ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY) submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 1/7/2026, **AUTHORIZING** the transfer and appropriation of \$79,345.81 from the unappropriated surplus of Miscellaneous Permanent Improvement Fund 757 to existing capital improvement program project account no. 980x981x262534, "Fleet Replacements - Obsolete," to acquire automotive and motorized equipment using proceeds from the sale and subrogation of obsolete automotive and motorized equipment.

[202600018](#)

Referred to Budget, Finance & Governance Committee

14. REPORT, dated 1/7/2026 submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on a communication from the State of Ohio, Division of Liquor Control, advising of a permit application for VIRK TRADING LLC, dba 420 SMOKE TIME, 2613 SHORT VINE ST. (#10004947-1, C-1, C-2, NEW) [OBJECTIONS: YES]

[202600019](#)

Filed

15. RESOLUTION (LEGISLATIVE) (EMERGENCY) submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 1/7/2026, **DESIGNATING** specific City personnel to request advances from the Auditor of Hamilton County as required by Sections 321.34 of the Ohio Revised Code; and **REQUESTING** that the Auditor of Hamilton County draw and the Treasurer of Hamilton County pay on such draft to the Treasurer of the City of Cincinnati weekly, beginning January 6, 2026, funds derived from such taxes which may be in the county treasury to the account of the City of Cincinnati.

[202600020](#)

Referred to Budget, Finance & Governance Committee

16. ORDINANCE submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 1/7/2026, **DEDICATING, ACCEPTING, AND CONFIRMING** the dedication to public use of an approximately 0.0656-acre tract of real property as a portion of Beechmont Avenue, a public right-of-way for street purposes in the Mt. Washington neighborhood of Cincinnati.

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Referred to Budget, Finance & Governance Committee

17. REPORT, dated 1/7/2026, submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, regarding Special Event Permit Application for Run Like Hell 5K.

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18. REPORT, dated 1/7/2026, submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, regarding Special Event Permit Application for 3rd Annual Lytle Park

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Wine & Food Festival.

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19. REPORT, dated 1/7/2026, submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, regarding Special Event Permit Application for Crown and Current Music Festival.

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20. REPORT, dated 1/7/2026, submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, regarding Special Event Permit Application for Walk to End Alzheimer's Cincinnati Tri-State.

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Filed

21. ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY) submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 1/7/2026 **AUTHORIZING** the payment of \$4,742.50 from Emergency Communications Center General Fund non-personnel operating budget account no. 050x103x0000x7418 as a moral obligation payment to CentralSquare Technologies, LLC (dba Tritech Software Systems) for the annual maintenance fees associated with the Field Ops software during FY 2024 and FY 2025.

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Referred to Budget, Finance & Governance Committee

22. ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY) submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 1/7/2026, **AUTHORIZING** a payment of \$4,675 from Cincinnati Recreation Commission Recreation Special Activities Fund non-personnel operating budget account no. 323x199x1910x7289 to Juggler Dave and Friends, LLC as a moral obligation for outstanding charges for entertainment services provided between June and August 2025.

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Referred to Budget, Finance & Governance Committee

23. ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY) submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 1/7/2026, **ESTABLISHING** new capital improvement program project account no. 985x195x261947, "Golf Facilities Improvements," to provide resources for building improvements, pavement installation, and irrigation enhancements at City-owned golf courses; **ESTABLISHING** new capital improvement program project account no. 985x195x261948, "Golf Equipment," to provide resources for equipment acquisition for operating and maintaining City-owned golf courses, including but not limited to golf carts and agronomic equipment; **AUTHORIZING** the transfer and return to source of \$4,179,267.75 from capital improvement program project account no. 985x195x251922, "Neumann Clubhouse Replacement," to the unappropriated surplus of Park and Recreation Improvement Bond Fund 860; **AUTHORIZING** the transfer and appropriation of \$4,179,267.75 from the unappropriated surplus of Park and Recreation Improvement Bond Fund 860 to newly established capital improvement program project account no. 985x195x261947, "Golf Facilities Improvements," to provide resources for building improvements, pavement installation, and irrigation enhancements at City-owned golf courses; **AUTHORIZING** the transfer and appropriation of \$1,000,000 from the unappropriated surplus of

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Municipal Golf Activities Fund 105 to newly established capital improvement program project account no. 985x195x261947, "Golf Facilities Improvements," to provide resources for building improvements, pavement installation, and irrigation enhancements at City-owned golf courses; and **AUTHORIZING** the transfer and appropriation of \$1,500,000 from the unappropriated surplus of Municipal Golf Activities Fund 105 to newly established capital improvement program project account no. 985x195x261948, "Golf Equipment," to provide resources for equipment acquisition for operating and maintaining City-owned golf courses, including but not limited to golf carts and agronomic equipment.

Referred to Budget, Finance & Governance Committee

24. ORDINANCE submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 1/7/2026, **MODIFYING** Chapter 509, "Parking Meters," of the Cincinnati Municipal Code by **AMENDING** Sections 509-2, "Types of Parking Meters," 509-5, "Parking in Metered Spaces or Spaces Requiring Payment," and 509-7, "Unmetered Parking," to update the on-street parking requirements in the Cincinnati Municipal Code with current best practices and useful technology for the parking industry.

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25. REPORT, dated 1/7/2026 submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on a communication from the State of Ohio, Division of Liquor Control, advising of a permit application for Sundry & Vice LLC, 18 W 13th St (# 10009369-1, TRFO, D5 D6) [Objections: None].

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Filed

26. REPORT, dated 1/7/2026 submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on a communication from the State of Ohio, Division of Liquor Control, advising of a permit application for TWB Cincinnati LLC, DBA Toms Watch Bar, 175 Joe Nuxhall Way. (#10006013-1, TRFO, D5J [Objections: Yes]

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Filed

27. REPORT, dated 1/7/2026 submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on a communication from the State of Ohio, Division of Liquor Control, advising of a permit application for Vapor Beverage Division5345 Medpace Way, 5345 Medpace Way. (#10009774-1, TRFO, D-5A,) [Objections: None]

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Filed

28. REPORT, dated 1/7/2026 submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on a communication from the State of Ohio, Division of Liquor Control, advising of a permit application for WBG3 LLC, DBA Wings Bar & Grill, 6000 Montgomery Rd Unit 1. (#10010483-1, New, D5-J) [Objections None]

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Filed

29. REPORT, dated 1/7/2026 submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on a communication from the State of Ohio, Division of Liquor Control, advising of a permit application for Taco Lab LLC, DBA Taco Lab, 165 W

[202600049](#)

McMillan Street Suite 100. (#08776985-2, New, D5J) [Objections: None]

Filed

30. REPORT, dated 1/7/2026, submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, regarding Cincy On Track Funded Project Statuses. (Reference Document # 202501820)

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Referred to Budget, Finance & Governance Committee

CLERK OF COUNCIL

31. REGISTRATION, submitted by the Clerk of Council from Legislative Agent George Glover, Government Affairs, Sr Government Relations Advisor, 225 E Fifth Street, Suite 1900 Cincinnati, Ohio 45202. (TERMINATION)

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Filed

32. REGISTRATION, submitted by the Clerk of Council from Legislative Agent Hector Soliman-Valdez, Government Affairs, Director of Local Government Affairs, c/o 28 Liberty Ship Way, Suite 28/15, Sausalito, CA 94965. (FLOCK SAFETY)

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Filed

33. REGISTRATION, submitted by the Clerk of Council from Legislative Agent Roland Vaughn, Government Affairs, Government & Public Affairs Professional, c/o 28 Liberty Ship Way, Suite 28/15, Sausalito, CA 94965. (FLOCK SAFETY)

[202600011](#)

Filed

NEW BUSINESS

34. APPOINTMENT, submitted by Mayor Aftab Pureval, I hereby appoint Councilmember Seth Walsh to the City Planning Commission as the Member of Cincinnati City Council. This appointment is submitted to City Council for its advice and consent pursuant to its Rules. (Male/White).

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Held one week pursuant to rule of council

No announcements at this time.

Council adjourned at 4:15 P.M.