



City of Cincinnati

801 Plum Street
Cincinnati, Ohio 45202

CALENDAR

Cincinnati City Council

Wednesday, February 26, 2025

2:00 PM

Council Chambers, Room 300

REVISED

ROLL CALL

PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

FILING OF THE JOURNAL

MAYOR AFTAB

1. [202500257](#) **APPOINTMENT**, submitted by Mayor Aftab Pureval, I hereby appoint Chaka Powell to the Workforce Council of Southwest Ohio Board of Directors for a term of two years. This appointment is submitted to City Council for its advice and consent pursuant to its Rules. (Female/AA).
Recommendation CONFIRM
Sponsors: Mayor
2. [202500258](#) **REAPPOINTMENT**, submitted by Mayor Aftab Pureval, I hereby reappoint Pradeep Bekal to the board of the Port of Greater Cincinnati Development Authority for a term of four years. This appointment is submitted to City Council for its advice and consent pursuant to its Rules. (Male/ A)
Recommendation CONFIRM
Sponsors: Mayor
3. [202500259](#) **REAPPOINTMENT**, submitted by Mayor Aftab Pureval, I hereby reappoint Ashlee Young, MPH to the Cincinnati Board of Health for a term of three years. This appointment is submitted to City Council for its advice and consent pursuant to its Rules. (Female/AA)
Recommendation CONFIRM
Sponsors: Mayor
4. [202500260](#) **REAPPOINTMENT**, submitted by Mayor Aftab Pureval, I hereby reappoint Jennifer W. Forrester, MD to the Cincinnati Board of Health for a term of three years. This appointment is submitted to City Council for its advice and consent pursuant to its Rules. (Female/White)
Recommendation CONFIRM
Sponsors: Mayor
5. [202500261](#) **APPOINTMENT**, submitted by Mayor Aftab Pureval, I hereby appoint Greg Long as the City's representative to the Hamilton County Transportation Improvement District. This appointment is submitted to City Council for its

advice and consent pursuant to its Rules. (Male/White)

Recommendation CONFIRM

Sponsors: Mayor

MS. KEARNEY

6. [202500328](#) **ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY)**, submitted by Vice Mayor Kearney, from Emily Smart Woerner, City Solicitor, **DECLARING** that the intersection of Race Street and Liberty Street in the Over-the-Rhine neighborhood shall hereby receive the honorary, secondary name of “Jim Scott Way” in honor of Jim Scott, and in recognition of his many years of volunteer service to the Findlay Market Opening Day Parade and his legacy of giving, volunteering, and spreading joy.

Recommendation HEALTHY NEIGHBORHOODS COMMITTEE

Sponsors: Kearney

MS. KEARNEY

MS. PARKS

MS. ALBI

MR. CRAMERDING

MR. JEFFREYS

MR. JOHNSON

MS. OWENS

MR. WALSH

7. [202500351](#) **RESOLUTION**, submitted by Vice Mayor Kearney and Councilmembers Parks, Albi, Cramerding, Jeffreys, Johnson, Owens, and Walsh, from Emily Smart Woerner, City Solicitor, **RECOGNIZING** Annie Ruth Napier as a 2025 Black History Month honoree and **EXPRESSING** the appreciation of the Mayor and the Council of the City of Cincinnati for her years of dedication and service to the Black Community and to the City of Cincinnati.

Recommendation PASS

Sponsors: Kearney, Parks, Albi, Cramerding, Johnson, Owens and Walsh

MS. OWENS

8. [202500334](#) **RESOLUTION**, submitted by Councilmember Owens, from Emily Smart Woerner, City Solicitor, **RECOGNIZING** Yolande Cornelia “Nikki” Giovanni Jr. as a 2025 Black History Month honoree and **EXPRESSING** the appreciation of the Mayor and Council for her bold unapologetic activism and support of the Black community.

Recommendation PASS

Sponsors: Owens

MR. WALSH

9. [202500344](#) **RESOLUTION**, submitted by Councilmember Walsh, from Emily Smart Woerner, City Solicitor, **RECOGNIZING** Miles Robinson as a 2025 Black History Month honoree and **EXPRESSING** the appreciation of the Mayor and the Council of the City of Cincinnati for his leadership and commitment to using his platform for positive impact both on and off the field.

Recommendation PASS

Sponsors: Walsh

MR. JEFFREYS

10. [202500335](#) **ORDINANCE**, submitted by Councilmember Jeffreys, from Emily Smart Woerner, City Solicitor, **MODIFYING** Chapter 723, "Streets and Sidewalks, Use Regulations," by **ORDAINING** new Section 723-77, "Trespass in a Designated Bus Rapid Transit Zone," and by **AMENDING** Section 723-26, "Designated Streetcar Transit Zone," to promote the safe and efficient operation of a bus rapid transit system in the public right-of-way.

Recommendation PUBLIC SAFETY & GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

Sponsors: Jeffreys

MS. OWENS

MR. NOLAN

MR. WALSH

11. [202500354](#) **MOTION**, submitted by Councilmembers Owens, Nolan, and Walsh, **WE MOVE** that the Administration prepare a report within the next 30 days to devise a strategy for protecting native plant/pollinator gardens in the City of Cincinnati. (STATEMENT ATTACHED)

Recommendation CLIMATE, ENVIRONMENT & INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE

Sponsors: Owens, Nolan and Walsh

CITY MANAGER

Environmental Advisory Board

12. [202500266](#) **APPOINTMENT** submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 2/20/2025, recommending the appointment of Douglas Walton to the Environmental Advisory Board for a term of three years from January 1, 2025. This appointment is submitted to the City Council for its approval. (MALE, BIPOC)

Recommendation CONFIRM

Sponsors: City Manager

13. [202500271](#) **APPOINTMENT** submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 2/20/2025, recommending the appointment of Monica Perdomo to the Environmental

Advisory Board for a term of three years from January 1, 2025. This appointment is submitted to the City Council for its approval. (FEMALE, BIPOC)

Recommendation CONFIRM

Sponsors: City Manager

14. [202500272](#) **APPOINTMENT** submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 2/20/2025, recommending the appointment of Nayana Shah to the Environmental Advisory Board to complete the current term ending in December 2026. This appointment is submitted to the City Council for its approval. (FEMALE, BIPOC)

Recommendation CONFIRM

Sponsors: City Manager

15. [202500273](#) **APPOINTMENT** submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 2/20/2025, recommending the appointment of Dave Schmitt to the Environmental Advisory Board for a term of three years from January 1, 2025. This appointment is submitted to the City Council for its approval. (MALE, WHITE)

Recommendation CONFIRM

Sponsors: City Manager

16. [202500276](#) **APPOINTMENT** submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 2/20/2025, recommending the appointment of Ericka Copeland to the Environmental Advisory Board for a term of three years from January 1, 2025. This appointment is submitted to the City Council for its approval. (FEMALE, BIPOC)

Recommendation CONFIRM

Sponsors: City Manager

17. [202500278](#) **APPOINTMENT** submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 2/20/2025, recommending the appointment of Van Sullivan to the Environmental Advisory Board to complete the current term ending in December 2025. This appointment is submitted to the City Council for its approval. (TRANS NONBINARY, WHITE)

Recommendation CONFIRM

Sponsors: City Manager

18. [202500315](#) **APPOINTMENT** submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 2/20/2025, recommending the appointment of Emmy Schroder to the Environmental Advisory Board to complete a three year term from January 1, 2025. This appointment is submitted to the City Council for its approval. (Female, White)

Recommendation HOLD ONE WEEK PURSUANT TO THE RULES OF COUNCIL

Sponsors: City Manager

19. [202500298](#) **REPORT**, dated 2/26/2025 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 Sete LLC, DBA Feys Supermarket, 3441 Beekman Street 1st fl. (#8007021, C1 C2 D6, Stck) [Objections: None]

Recommendation FILE

- Sponsors:** City Manager
20. [202500299](#) **REPORT**, dated 2/26/2025 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 Good Wares Design LLC, DBA High St, 1401 Reading Road. (#3306614, TFOL, D1 D2 D3) [Objections: Yes]
- Recommendation** FILE
- Sponsors:** City Manager
21. [202500300](#) **REPORT**, dated 2/26/2025 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 Drunken Amigos LLC, DBA Drunken Tacos, 200 W McMillan. (#2317524, TRFO, D5 D6) [Objections: None]
- Recommendation** FILE
- Sponsors:** City Manager
22. [202500301](#) **REPORT**, dated 2/26/2025, submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, regarding Special Event Permit Application for Pumpkin Chuck 2025.
- Recommendation** FILE
- Sponsors:** City Manager
23. [202500302](#) **REPORT**, dated 2/26/2025, submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, regarding Special Event Permit Application for Taking Drug Court Beyond the Steps of the Courthouse.
- Recommendation** FILE
- Sponsors:** City Manager
24. [202500305](#) **REPORT**, dated 2/26/2025, submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, regarding Special Event Permit Application for Heart Mini Marathon 2025.
- Recommendation** FILE
- Sponsors:** City Manager
25. [202500314](#) **REPORT**, dated 2/26/2025, submitted Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, regarding Capital Projects Funding Request. (Reference Document #202500204)
- Recommendation** BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE
- Sponsors:** City Manager
26. [202500316](#) **ORDINANCE** submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 2/26/2025, **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant of up to \$298,869 from the Ohio Department of Health Get Vaccinated OHIO Public Health Initiative (ALN 93.268) to support activities that will increase immunization rates in children under two years of age, school-aged children, and adolescents; and **AUTHORIZING** the Director of Finance to receive and deposit the grant resources into Public Health Research Fund revenue account no. 350x8556.

Recommendation BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE**Sponsors:** City Manager and Long

27. [202500317](#) **ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY)** submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 2/26/2025, **ESTABLISHING** the salary schedules and classification titles for the classifications of Behavioral Health Specialist and Supervising Behavioral Health Specialist by enacting Sections 297 and 298 of Division 0C, Chapter 307 of the Cincinnati Municipal Code, consistent with the organizational changes described herein.

Recommendation PUBLIC SAFETY & GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE**Sponsors:** City Manager

28. [202500319](#) **ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY)** submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 2/26/2025, **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to accept up to \$250,000 from the Federal Transit Administration (“FTA”), through the Areas of Persistent Poverty Grant Program (ALN 20.505), to provide resources for improvements and upgrades to Streetcar technology, station displays, and transit management software; **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to appropriate up to \$250,000 from the FTA, through the Areas of Persistent Poverty Grant Program, to General Government Grants Fund 404, effective FY 2026; **AUTHORIZING** the Director of Finance to deposit the grant resources into General Government Grants Fund 404 revenue account no. 404x8554, Department of Transportation and Engineering project account no. AOPP, “Areas of Persistent Poverty Grant”; and **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to transfer and appropriate of \$27,778 from the unappropriated surplus of Streetcar Operations Fund 455 to Streetcar Operations Fund non-personnel operating budget account no. 455x236x7200 to provide local matching resources for the FTA Areas of Persistent Poverty Grant, effective FY 2026.

Recommendation BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE**Sponsors:** City Manager

29. [202500321](#) **ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY)** submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 2/26/2025, **APPROVING** the revised Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan for the Connector as recommended by the streetcar’s Accountable Executive and Chief Safety Officer.

Recommendation CLIMATE, ENVIRONMENT & INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE**Sponsors:** City Manager

30. [202500353](#) **REPORT**, dated 2/26/2025, submitted Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, regarding traffic enforcement. (Reference Document #202402419)

Recommendation PUBLIC SAFETY & GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE**Sponsors:** City Manager**CLERK OF COUNCIL**

31. [202500352](#) **REGISTRATION**, submitted by the Clerk of Council from Legislative Agent Bobbi Dillon, Procter & Gamble Company, Senior Manager, 1 P&G Plaza, C9-247, Cincinnati, Ohio 45202. (PROCTER & GAMBLE COMPANY)

Recommendation FILE**Sponsors:** Clerk of Council

BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

32. [202500287](#) **MOTION**, submitted by Councilmember Jeffreys, **WE MOVE** that the Administration share a plan within 60 days for benchmarking Development Performance Measures or other regional peer cities (e.g. Blue Ash, Florence, Norwood). (BALANCE ON FILE IN THE CLERK'S OFFICE) (STATEMENT ATTACHED)

Recommendation ADOPT

Sponsors: Jeffreys

33. [202500267](#) **ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY)**, submitted by Councilmember Owens, from Emily Smart Woerner, City Solicitor, **ESTABLISHING** the City's human services funding priorities for the first year of the biennial budget, beginning with FY 2026, the second year of the biennial budget (budget update), beginning with FY 2027, and subsequent budgets and fiscal years; **ESTABLISHING** a human services funding Impact Award for one large-scale social innovation project to be awarded only in the first year of the biennial budget, and a revised multi-year funding cycle for all human services funding; **ADVISING** the United Way of Greater Cincinnati ("United Way") and any organization assisting the City with evaluating human services funding applications that Council's priorities for FY 2026 and FY 2027 are to allocate up to ten percent of appropriated human services funding for the Impact Award; 26 percent for Comprehensive Workforce Development Support; 26 percent for Youth Gun Violence Prevention and Reduction; 26 percent for Supporting, Securing, and Stabilizing Housing for High-Risk Populations; ten percent for Emergency Wrap-Around Services through Project LIFT; and two percent for overhead; **ADVISING** the United Way and any organization assisting the City with evaluating human services funding applications that applications that have previously applied directly to the City for Leveraged Support funding in the categories of Homelessness and Eviction Prevention, Human Services and Violence Prevention, or Workforce Programming and Poverty Reduction, should instead apply for human services funding; and **ADVISING** the United Way and any organization assisting the City with evaluating human services funding applications that future Impact Awards categories will be determined by Council for the first year of each biennial budget.

Recommendation PASS EMERGENCY

Sponsors: Owens

34. [202500269](#) **ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY)**, submitted by Councilmember Albi, from Emily Smart Woerner, City Solicitor, **ADVISING** the United Way of Greater Cincinnati and any other organization tasked with evaluating applications for the City's human services funding in FY 2026 to include an Impact Award that addresses food insecurity as part of the City's broader gun violence prevention priority.

Recommendation PASS EMERGENCY

Sponsors: Albi

35. [202500318](#) **ORDINANCE (B VERSION) (EMERGENCY)**, submitted by Councilmember Owens, from Emily Smart Woerner, City Solicitor, **AUTHORIZING** the transfer of \$10,000 within the General Fund from Councilmember Owens' General

Fund personnel operating budget account no. 050x025x7100 to Councilmember Owens' General Fund non-personnel operating budget account no. 050x025x7200 to realign the office budget for Councilmember Owens.

Recommendation PASS EMERGENCY

Sponsors: Owens

SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS

EQUITABLE GROWTH & HOUSINGS COMMITTEE

36. [202500200](#) **ORDINANCE**, submitted by Councilmember Jeffreys, from Emily Smart Woerner, City Solicitor, **MODIFYING** the provisions of Title XI, "Cincinnati Building Code," of the Cincinnati Municipal Code by **ORDAINING** new Chapter 1125, "Vacant Building Registration," to provide a system for the registration of vacant buildings in the City, and **MODIFYING** Chapter 1501, "Code Compliance and Hearings," by **AMENDING** Section 1501-3, "Class A Civil Offenses" and Section 1501-9(b), "Class D Civil Offenses" to correct a clerical error and add violations of Section 1125-17 to Section 1501-3 and Section 1501-9(b).

Recommendation PASS

Sponsors: Jeffreys

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Adjournment