

## EMERGENCY

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- 2023

**ESTABLISHING** capital improvement program project account no. 980x104x241050, “West Fork Garage Solar Improvements,” to provide resources for a new transformer and other electrical upgrades needed to connect the solar panel system being installed on the West Fork Garage to the electrical grid; and **AUTHORIZING** the transfer and appropriation of \$211,094 from the unappropriated surplus of Revolving Energy Loan Fund 883 to newly established capital improvement program project account no. 980x104x241050, “West Fork Garage Solar Improvements,” to provide the resources necessary to cover the cost of these improvements.

WHEREAS, the City contracted to have a solar panel system installed on the roof of West Fork Garage, located at 3320 Millcreek Road, financed by capital improvement program project account no. 980x255x222534, “City Facility Lighting and Solar Improvements”; and

WHEREAS, Duke Energy informed the contractor for this project that a new transformer and other electrical upgrades are required to connect the new solar panel system to the electrical grid; and

WHEREAS, existing capital improvement program project account no. 980x255x222534, “City Facility Lighting and Solar Improvements,” does not have sufficient resources remaining to cover the cost of the new transformer and other electrical upgrades; and

WHEREAS, sufficient resources are available in Revolving Energy Loan Fund 883 for transfer and appropriation to newly established capital improvement program project account no. 980x104x241050, “West Fork Garage Solar Improvements,” to provide the resources necessary for the new transformer and other electrical upgrades Duke Energy requires; and

WHEREAS, the Inflation Reduction Act (“IRA”) provides tax credits for clean energy technologies and includes Direct Pay provisions that enable governmental entities to receive federal payments equal to the value of tax credits for eligible clean energy projects; and

WHEREAS, the Office of Environment and Sustainability anticipates that the Direct Pay benefit available through the IRA can be used to recover the funds transferred and appropriated by this ordinance and restore them to Revolving Energy Loan Fund 883; and

WHEREAS, adding necessary components to complete the West Fork Garage Solar Improvements project is in accordance with the “Sustain” goal to “[b]ecome a healthier Cincinnati” and strategy to “[c]reate a healthy environment and reduce energy consumption” as described on pages 179-186 of Plan Cincinnati (2012); now, therefore,

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

Section 1. That capital improvement program project account no. 980x104x241050, “West Fork Garage Solar Improvements,” is established to provide resources for a new transformer and other electrical upgrades needed to connect the solar panel system being installed on the West Fork Garage to the electrical grid.

Section 2. That the transfer and appropriation of \$211,094 from the unappropriated surplus of Revolving Energy Loan Fund 883 to newly established capital improvement program project account no. 980x104x241050, “West Fork Garage Solar Improvements,” is authorized to provide the resources necessary for these improvements.

Section 3. That the proper City officials are authorized to do all things necessary and proper to carry out the provisions of 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 provide resources to complete the West Fork Garage Solar Improvements project.

Passed: \_\_\_\_\_, 2023

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Aftab Pureval, Mayor

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk