



City of Cincinnati

Budget, Finance & Governance Committee

Meeting Minutes

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Councilmember Mark Jeffreys
Councilmember Anna Albi
Vice Mayor Jan-Michele Kearney
Councilmember Meeka Owens
Councilmember Scotty Johnson
Councilmember Seth Walsh
Councilmember Ryan James

Tuesday, May 26, 2026

1:00 PM

Council Chambers, Room 300

ROLL CALL

Present: Jeff Cramerding
Vice Chair Evan Nolan
Anna Albi
Ryan James
Mark Jeffreys
Scotty Johnson
Jan-Michele Kearney
Meeka Owens
Seth Walsh

Also in attendance were Dr. Andrew Dudas, Budget, Colleen Swim, Law Department and Steve Webb, Finance. The meeting began at 1:01pm and adjourned at 4:46pm.

PRESENTATIONS

City Manager's Recommended FY 2027 Budget Update

Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager and Andrew Dudas, Budget Director

State of the Fleet

**Liam Norton, Fleet Services Manager and Dan Bower, Deputy Director,
Department of Public Services**

Cincy on Track Update

Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager

Mark Riley, Director and Cindy France, Facilities Manager, Department of Public Services

Greg Long, Interim Director, Department of Transportation and Engineering

Daniel Betts, Director, Cincinnati Recreation Commission

Jason Barron, Director, Cincinnati Parks Department

AGENDA

GRANTS AND DONATIONS

1. ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY) submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 5/20/2026, AUTHORIZING the City Manager to accept and appropriate a grant of up to \$238,283.88 from the Hamilton County ReSource Residential Recycling Incentive grant program to provide resources for recycling education and awareness, residential recycling, drop-off recycling, yard waste, food waste, composting, waste reduction, litter collection, and the labor, equipment and materials to support these efforts; and AUTHORIZING the Director of Finance to deposit the grant resources into General Fund revenue account no. 050x8782, Office of Environment and Sustainability project account no. 26HamCoRRI, "FY 2026 Hamilton County RRI Grant." [202601590](#)

Recommend Passage Emergency
2. ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY) submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 5/20/2026, ESTABLISHING new capital improvement program project account no. 984x234x262359, "Lunken Runway ODOT FY27 Direct Grant," to provide resources for pavement improvements on runway 07/25 at Lunken Airport; AUTHORIZING the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant of up to \$750,000 from Ohio Department of Transportation to newly established capital improvement program project account no. 984x234x262359, "Lunken Runway ODOT FY27 Direct Grant;" and AUTHORIZING the Director of Finance to deposit the grant resources into newly established capital improvement program project account no. 984x234x262359, "Lunken Runway ODOT FY27 Direct Grant." [202601586](#)

Recommend Passage Emergency

3. ORDINANCE submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 5/20/2026, AUTHORIZING the City Manager to accept and appropriate a donation of \$15,000 from the Cincinnati Fire Foundation to provide resources to purchase medical coolers; AUTHORIZING the City Manager to accept and appropriate a donation of \$1,500 from the Cincinnati Fire Foundation to provide resources to purchase promotional materials in support of the Neighbors Looking Out for Neighbors campaign; and AUTHORIZING the Director of Finance to deposit the donations into Fund 472, "Fire Grants and Donations," revenue account no. 472x8571.

[202601588](#)

Recommend Passage

4. ORDINANCE submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 5/20/2026, AUTHORIZING the City Manager to accept in-kind donations and contributions of miscellaneous supplies from the Cincinnati Parks Foundation, valued at approximately \$54,458 as set forth in Attachment A, to benefit various City parks.

[202601587](#)

Recommend Passage

REPORTS

5. REPORT, dated 5/20/2026, submitted Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, regarding the Deputy Clerk of Council salary range market analysis. (Reference Document # 202600220)

[202601630](#)

Approve & File

APPROPRIATE TO PUBLIC USE

6. ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY) submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 5/20/2026, APPROPRIATING to public use certain real property interests required to construct, establish, reconstruct, improve, maintain, repair, and preserve a shared use path along Reading Road, Whittier Street, Fredonia Avenue, and through to Blair Court, commonly known as Wasson Way Phase 7.

[202601578](#)

Recommend Passage Emergency

ARTWORK

7. ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY) submitted by Sheryl M. M.

[202601641](#)

Long, City Manager, on 5/20/2026, AUTHORIZING the City Manager to design, install, and maintain artwork on various traffic control boxes located in the Clifton neighborhood, notwithstanding any conflicting Department of Transportation and Engineering rules and regulations or any provision of the Cincinnati Municipal Code that would prohibit the installation and maintenance of the artwork.

Recommend Passage Emergency

LIGHTING ASSESSMENT

8. RESOLUTION (LEGISLATIVE) submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 4/29/2026, DECLARING the necessity of assessing properties in Lighting Group 2 that benefit from special street lighting within the City of Cincinnati for the cost of such lighting for the three-year period beginning August 1, 2025. [202601482](#)

indefinite postponement

9. RESOLUTION (LEGISLATIVE) (B VERSION), submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 5/26/2026, DECLARING the necessity of assessing properties in Lighting Group 2 that benefit from special street lighting within the City of Cincinnati for the cost of such lighting for the three-year period beginning August 1, 2025. [202601677](#)

Recommend Passage

MOTIONS

10. MOTION (AMENDED), submitted by Vice Mayor Kearney, Councilmembers James, Albi and Johnson, WE MOVE that the City Administration reserve the amount of \$3,271,193 for bridge-loan program for the purpose of funding Continuum of Care for the Homeless (CoC) programs if federal funding for year 2026-2027 has not arrived by July 1, 2026. This amount is half of the total needed to allow eleven (11) local organizations to continue providing needed services to prevent homelessness and support these experiencing homelessness if the expected five-month delay occurs in receiving funding from the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). (BALANCE ON FILE IN THE CLERK'S OFFICE) (STATEMENT ATTACHED) (COUNCILMEMBER CRAMERDING RECUSED FROM THIS ITEM). [202601642](#)

Adopted as Amended

PRESENTATIONS

- 11. PRESENTATION submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, dated 5/26/2026, regarding the City Manager’s Recommended FY 2027 Budget Update. [202601695](#)
Filed
- 12. PRESENTATION, submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, dated 5/26/2026, regarding City Manager’s Recommended FY 2027 Budget Update - State of the Fleet. [202601664](#)
Filed
- 13. PRESENTATION, submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, dated 5/26/2026, regarding City Manager’s Recommended FY 2027 Budget Update - Cincy On Track (COT) Update. [202601694](#)
Filed

ADJOURNMENT