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To: Mayor and Members of City Council

From: Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager

Subject: Emergency Ordinance - DOTE: Red Bank Road Shared Use Path

Clean Ohio Trails Fund (COTF) Grant

Attached is an Emergency Ordinance captioned:

**AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to apply for grant resources from the Clean Ohio Trails Fund grant program to be awarded by the Ohio Department of Natural Resources in an amount up to \$500,000 for the purpose of providing resources for the Red Bank Road Shared Use Path (PID 86461).

Approval of this Emergency Ordinance will authorize the City Manager to apply for grant resources from the Clean Ohio Trails Fund (COTF) grant program to be awarded by the Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR) in an amount up to \$500,000 for the purpose of providing resources for the Red Bank Road Shared Use Path (PID 86461).

The Red Bank Road Shared Use Path is a 0.45 mile long shared-use path for bicycles and pedestrians along the west side of Red Bank Road that will begin at the intersection of Old Red Bank Road and Duck Creek and will end at the intersection of Red Bank Expressway and Hetzel Street in the Madisonville neighborhood.

If awarded, the grant requires local matching resources in the amount of approximately \$166,667, which will be made available in future DOTE capital budget resources. No new FTEs are associated with this grant.

The Red Bank Road Shared Use Path is in accordance with the "Connect" goal to "[d]evelop an efficient multi-modal transportation system that supports neighborhood livability," as well as the strategies to "[e]xpand options for non-automotive travel," and "[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 apply for grant resources in a timely manner for the Red Bank Road Shared Use Path project.

The Administration recommends passage of this Emergency Ordinance.

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

