



City of Cincinnati

801 Plum Street
Cincinnati, Ohio 45202

CALENDAR

Cincinnati City Council

Wednesday, October 11, 2023

2:00 PM

Council Chambers, Room 300

REVISED

ROLL CALL

PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

FILING OF THE JOURNAL

MAYOR AFTAB

1. [202302143](#) **RESOLUTION**, submitted by Mayor Aftab Pureval, from Emily Smart Woerner, City Solicitor, **RECOGNIZING** Coach Michael Stafford, better known as Coach Mike, for over 30 years of mentorship, training, and coaching professional and amateur boxers; and **EXPRESSING** the appreciation of the Mayor and Council of the City of Cincinnati for his exemplary service to the youth and boxing culture of Cincinnati.

Recommendation PASS

Sponsors: Mayor

MAYOR AFTAB

MR. JEFFREYS

MR. HARRIS

2. [202302171](#) **RESOLUTION**, submitted by Mayor Aftab Pureval and Councilmembers Jeffreys and Harris, from Emily Smart Woerner, City Solicitor, **EXPRESSING** the Mayor and Cincinnati City Council's support for the people of Israel.

Recommendation PASS

Sponsors: Mayor, Jeffreys and Harris

MS. KEATING

3. [202302156](#) **RESOLUTION**, submitted by Councilmember Keating, from Emily Smart Woerner, City Solicitor, **RECOGNIZING** members of the USS Cincinnati during their 2023 namesake visit to the City of Cincinnati, and **EXPRESSING** the appreciation of the Mayor and the Council of the City of Cincinnati for their service to our country.

Recommendation PASS

Sponsors: Keating

4. [202302159](#) **ORDINANCE**, submitted by Councilmember Keating, from Emily Smart Woerner, City Solicitor, **DECLARING** that Thorton Avenue at River Road in the Saylor Park neighborhood shall hereby receive the honorary, secondary name of "Elise Earley Way" in honor of Elise Earley, who was in a fatal car accident caused by an impaired driver, and as a reminder of the necessity for drivers to not drive impaired and always observe road and traffic regulations.

Recommendation HEALTHY NEIGHBORHOODS COMMITTEE

Sponsors: Keating

MR. JEFFREYS

5. [202302161](#) **MOTION**, submitted by Councilmember Jeffreys, **WE MOVE** that the Administration report back within ninety days on: A plan to require audible indications for newly constructed facilities, altered portions of existing facilities, and elements added to existing facilities for pedestrian circulation, recommended by Public Rights-of-Way Accessibility Guidelines. (BALANCE ON FILE IN THE CLERK'S OFFICE) (STATEMENT ATTACHED)

Recommendation CLIMATE, ENVIRONMENT & INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE

Sponsors: Jeffreys

MS. KEARNEY

6. [202302150](#) **ORDINANCE**, submitted by Vice Mayor Kearney, from Emily Smart Woerner, City Solicitor, **DECLARING** that Brookline Avenue at Jefferson Avenue in the Clifton neighborhood shall hereby receive the honorary, secondary name of "Louise Spiegel Way" in honor of Louise Spiegel and in recognition of her contributions and public service to the Cincinnati community.

Recommendation HEALTHY NEIGHBORHOODS COMMITTEE

Sponsors: Kearney

CITY MANAGER

7. [202302114](#) **REPORT**, dated 10/11/2023, submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, regarding Special Event Permit Application for Light Up the Square.

Recommendation FILE

Sponsors: City Manager

8. [202302115](#) **REPORT**, dated 10/11/2023, submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, regarding Special Event Permit Application for Mt. Washington Holiday Walk.

Recommendation FILE

Sponsors: City Manager

9. [202302116](#) **REPORT**, dated 10/11/2023, submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, regarding Special Event Permit Application for NYE Blast.

Recommendation FILE

Sponsors: City Manager

10. [202302120](#) **REPORT**, dated 10/11/2023 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 JJA 501 Vine LLC, 501 Vine St. (#4290840, Transfer, D5) [OBJECTIONS: None]
- Recommendation** FILE
- Sponsors:** City Manager
11. [202302121](#) **ORDINANCE** submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 10/11/2023, **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to accept an in-kind donation of four mountain bikes and upfitting equipment from the Cincinnati Fire Foundation valued at up to \$8,330 to be used by the Cincinnati Fire Department's Emergency Medical Bike Unit.
- Recommendation** BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE
- Sponsors:** City Manager
12. [202302123](#) **REPORT**, dated 10/11/2023, submitted Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, regarding the Department of Finance Report for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023 (unaudited).
- Recommendation** BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE
- Sponsors:** City Manager
13. [202302126](#) **ORDINANCE** submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 10/11/2023, **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant of up to \$581,851 from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency, FY 2022 Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program (ALN 97.044) to provide resources for the replacement of outdated equipment; and **AUTHORIZING** the Director of Finance to deposit the grant resources into Fire Grant Fund 472, revenue account no. 472x8542.
- Recommendation** BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE
- Sponsors:** City Manager
14. [202302127](#) **ORDINANCE** submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 10/11/2023, **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to take all necessary and proper actions to cooperate with the Director of the Ohio Department of Transportation to facilitate the performance of construction activities for State Route 264, Glenway Avenue, including the removal of a bridge over an abandoned rail line and reconstruction of the roadway in connection with the Ohio Department of Transportation's construction project in the City of Cincinnati.
- Recommendation** CLIMATE, ENVIRONMENT & INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE
- Sponsors:** City Manager
15. [202302129](#) **ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY)** submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 10/11/2023, **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to accept a donation of up to \$198,550 from the Cincinnati Park Board Commissioners' Fund to fund improvements to Fleischmann Gardens; **AUTHORIZING** the Director of Finance to deposit the donated funds into Parks Private Endowment and Donations Fund 430; **ESTABLISHING** new capital improvement program project account no. 980x203x242034, "Fleischmann Gardens Improvements," to provide resources for

improvements to Fleischmann Gardens; **AUTHORIZING** the transfer and appropriation of \$198,550 from Parks Private Endowment and Donations Fund 430 to newly established capital improvement program project account no. 980x203x242034, "Fleischmann Gardens Improvements," to provide resources for improvements to Fleischmann Gardens; and **AUTHORIZING** the transfer and appropriation of \$124,900 from the unappropriated surplus of Cincinnati Riverfront Park Fund 329 to existing capital improvement program project account no. 980x203x222011, "Smale Riverfront Park Water Feature Repairs," to replace the Main Street pump filter system.

Recommendation BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

Sponsors: City Manager

16. [202302130](#) **ORDINANCE** submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 10/11/2023, **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to accept in-kind donations and contributions of artwork, horticultural supplies, park supplies, professional services, and event and program coordination services from the Cincinnati Parks Foundation, valued at approximately \$110,782.74, to benefit various City parks.

Recommendation BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

Sponsors: City Manager

17. [202302131](#) **ORDINANCE** submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 10/11/2023, **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant of up to \$18,884,111 from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency, FY 2022 Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (SAFER) Grant Program (ALN 97.083) to fully fund the salary and benefits of up to fifty fire recruits in the Cincinnati Fire Department for three years; and **AUTHORIZING** the Finance Director to deposit the grant funds into Fire Grants Fund 472, revenue account no. 472x8542.

Recommendation BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

Sponsors: City Manager

18. [202302132](#) **ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY)** submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 10/11/2023, **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to design, install, and maintain artwork on various traffic control boxes located in the CUF 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.

Recommendation CLIMATE, ENVIRONMENT & INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE

Sponsors: City Manager

19. [202302136](#) **ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY)** submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 10/11/2023, **AUTHORIZING** the transfer of \$5,575,948 from the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050 to the unappropriated surplus of Working Capital Reserve Fund 754 to increase the City's working capital reserve; **AUTHORIZING** the transfer of \$1,762,615 from the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050 to balance sheet reserve account no. 050x2585, "Economic Downturn Reserve," to increase the City's emergency reserve;

AUTHORIZING the transfer of \$2,185,648 from the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050 to balance sheet reserve account no. 050x2580, "Reserve for Weather Events, Other Emergency and One-Time Needs," to provide resources for unanticipated emergencies, including those caused by unusual weather events, to increase the City's reserve; **ESTABLISHING** new balance sheet reserve account no. 050x3425, "Affordable Housing," within the General Fund; **AUTHORIZING** the transfer of \$5,000,000 from the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050 to newly created balance sheet reserve account no. 050x3425 "Affordable Housing," to provide a one-time contribution to the City's Affordable Housing Trust Fund; **AUTHORIZING** the transfer and appropriation of \$2,000,000 from the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050 to the City Manager's Office personnel operating budget account no. 050x101x7500 to provide a one-time contribution to address the City's pension obligation to the Cincinnati Retirement System; **AUTHORIZING** the transfer of \$500,000 from the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050 to balance sheet reserve account no. 050x2535, "Reserve for Operating Budget Contingencies," to provide resources for subsequent appropriation for one-time unforeseen operating needs that arise during the remainder of the ongoing fiscal year; **AUTHORIZING** the transfer of \$150,000 from the General Fund balance sheet reserve account no. 050x2535, "Reserve for Operating Budget Contingencies," to the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050; **AUTHORIZING** the transfer and appropriation of \$150,000 from the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050 to the various General Fund operating budget accounts according to the attached Schedule A of the General Fund Operating Budget Schedule of Appropriation to provide one-time funds for the following: the City Manager's Office for a project to digitize records for multiple City departments (\$45,000); the City Manager's Office for detail needs at special events (\$50,000); and the Department of Community and Economic Development for a tax abatement study (\$55,000); **AUTHORIZING** the transfer and appropriation of \$8,474,191 from the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050 to new or existing capital improvement program project accounts according to the attached Schedule B of the Capital Budget Schedule of Transfer; **AUTHORIZING** the transfer and appropriation of \$350,809 from the unappropriated surplus of Parking System Facilities Fund 102 to capital improvement program project account no. 980x248x242400, "Parking Garage Rehabilitation," to provide resources for improvements to off-street parking garages; **ESTABLISHING** new capital improvement program project account no. 980x164x241624, "Industrial Site Redevelopment - GF CO," to provide resources for industrial site redevelopment projects; **AUTHORIZING** the transfer of \$1,600,000 from the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050 to newly created capital improvement program project account no. 980x164x241624, "Industrial Site Redevelopment - GF CO," to provide resources for industrial site redevelopment projects; **ESTABLISHING** new balance sheet reserve account no. 050x3423, "West End Community Development Initiatives," within the General Fund; **AUTHORIZING** the transfer of \$2,000,000 from the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050 to newly created balance sheet reserve account no. 050x3423 "West End Community Development Initiatives," to provide resources for various community development initiatives in the West End neighborhood; **AUTHORIZING** the transfer of \$250,000 from the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050 to the City Manager's Office

General Fund non-personnel operating budget account no. 050x101x0000x7289 to provide resources to Keep Cincinnati Beautiful for capital facilities improvements; and **DECLARING** certain projects to be for a public purpose, all for the purpose of carrying out the Capital Improvement Program.

Recommendation BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

Sponsors: City Manager

CLERK OF COUNCIL

20. [202302117](#) **REGISTRATION**, submitted by the Clerk of Council from Legislative Agent Annalese Cahill, Government Affairs, Government Relations Associate, 255 E. 5th Street, Suite 1900, Cincinnati, Ohio 45202. (CINCINNATI ART MUSEUM)

Recommendation FILE

Sponsors: Clerk of Council

21. [202302118](#) **REGISTRATION**, submitted by the Clerk of Council from Legislative Agent Matt Davis, Government Affairs, President, 255 E. 5th Street, Suite 1900, Cincinnati, Ohio 45202. (CINCINNATI ART MUSEUM)

Recommendation FILE

Sponsors: Clerk of Council

22. [202302119](#) **REGISTRATION**, submitted by the Clerk of Council from Legislative Agent Colleen Reynolds, Government Affairs, Partner, 255 E. 5th Street, Suite 1900, Cincinnati, Ohio 45202. (CINCINNATI ART MUSEUM)

Recommendation FILE

Sponsors: Clerk of Council

BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

23. [202302046](#) **REPORT**, dated 10/2/2023, submitted Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, regarding the Tax Incentive Review Council Status of Property Tax Exemptions for Year E 2022.

Recommendation APPROVE & FILE

Sponsors: City Manager

24. [202302091](#) **ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY)** submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 10/4/2023, **DECLARING** improvements to certain real property located at 7 West 7th Street in the Central Business District of Cincinnati, to be constructed pursuant to a *Development Agreement* between the City of Cincinnati and 7 West 7th Property LLC, to be a public purpose and exempt from real property taxation for a period of 30 years pursuant to R.C. Section 5709.41; and **AMENDING** Ordinance No. 413-2002, passed on December 18, 2002, as amended, to remove such real property from the operation of that ordinance.

Recommendation PASS EMERGENCY

Sponsors: City Manager

25. [202302093](#) **ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY)** submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 10/4/2023, **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to execute a Property Transfer Agreement with Riverside Lots LLC, pursuant to which the City will sell certain

real property located at 256 Wenner Street and 248 Watson Street and acquire a portion of real property located at 260 Wenner Street to facilitate the development of a public parking lot in the East End neighborhood.

Recommendation PASS EMERGENCY

Sponsors: City Manager

26. [202302097](#) **ORDINANCE** submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 10/4/2023, **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to apply for a Reconnecting Communities grant and a Neighborhoods Equity Program grant (ALN 20.940) awarded by the U.S. Department of Transportation in an amount up to \$149,812,300 to construct cap structures above Fort Washington Way.

Recommendation PASS

Sponsors: City Manager

27. [202302092](#) **ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY)** submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 10/4/2023, **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to accept an in-kind donation of seven used concrete barriers valued at up to \$500 each from Nicholas Hollan to be used by the Department of Public Services Traffic and Road Operations Division.

Recommendation PASS EMERGENCY

Sponsors: City Manager

28. [202302108](#) **MOTION**, submitted by Councilmember Harris, **WE MOVE** that the administration produces a report within thirty (30) days on program recommendations for the \$2,125,000 set aside to implement the Cities for Financial Empowerment's "Financial Freedom" blueprint. This should include any relevant updates on partnerships or other work being done to prepare implementation of the program(s). (STATEMENT ATTACHED)

Recommendation ADOPT

Sponsors: Harris

29. [202302101](#) **MOTION**, submitted by Councilmembers Harris and Parks, **WE MOVE** that the administration transfer \$87,350 from the project "Highspeed/Broadband Access - GF" to be allocated to Cincinnati Works to operate their Digital Literacy "D-Lit" program. (STATEMENT ATTACHED)

Recommendation ADOPT

Sponsors: Harris and Parks

SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS

CLIMATE, ENVIRONMENT & INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE

30. [202302049](#) **ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY)** submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 9/27/2023, **AMENDING** Ordinance 230-2022 to include additional locations for the traffic control box artwork to be donated to the City as identified in Exhibit A to the ordinance.

Recommendation PASS EMERGENCY

Sponsors: City Manager

EQUITABLE GROWTH & HOUSINGS COMMITTEE

31. [202301951](#) **ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY)**, submitted by Councilmember Owens, from Emily Smart Woerner, City Solicitor, **MODIFYING** a provision of Chapter 209 of the Cincinnati Municipal Code, "Housing Advisory Board," by AMENDING Section 209-5, "Composition of Board," for the purpose of increasing the membership of the Housing Advisory Board to consist of up to sixteen members for the purpose of broadening community engagement by ensuring deeper representation of residential tenant stakeholders.

Recommendation PASS EMERGENCY

Sponsors: Owens

32. [202302075](#) **MOTION**, submitted by Vice Mayor Kearney, **WE MOVE** that the Administration provide a Report within thirty (30) days on the status of the City's partnership with the Step Up Housing First program. Step Up acquires hotels and motels, renovates them to create apartments, and uses the properties to provide affordable housing for those experiencing chronic homelessness. The report should include the City's proposed funding responsibility, status of acquisitions, and other pertinent matters. (STATEMENT ATTACHED)

Recommendation ADOPT

Sponsors: Kearney

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Adjournment