



EMERGENCY

City of Cincinnati

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An Ordinance No. _____

- 2024

AUTHORIZING the transfer and return to source of \$197,197.76 from capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x222390, “Red Bike Program Expansion,” to the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050; and **AUTHORIZING** the transfer and appropriation of \$197,197.76 from the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050 to the Department of Transportation and Engineering FY 2024 non-personnel operating budget account no. 050x232x7200 to provide one-time resources for operating support to allow Red Bike d/b/a Cincy Bike Share, Inc. to continue to operate in the City.

WHEREAS, on December 15, 2021, Council passed Ordinance No. 507-2021, which was amended by Ordinance No. 163-2022, authorizing the transfer and appropriation of \$500,000 from the General Fund to capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x222390, “Red Bike Program Expansion,” to provide resources for program expansion into various City neighborhoods, including Bond Hill, Roselawn, Evanston, and Avondale; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2024, the Cincy Bike Share Board voted to discontinue operations indefinitely due to lack of sustainable funding; and

WHEREAS, a fundraising campaign has been created to avoid a discontinuation of Red Bike’s operations, towards which the City will transfer existing capital funds allocated to Red Bike to the operating budget as the City’s contribution to this effort; and

WHEREAS, this funding is intended as a one-time contribution as bridge funding to allow Red Bike to establish a long-term sustainable funding model; and

WHEREAS, providing resources for operating support for Red Bike is in accordance with the “Compete” goal to “[d]evelop an efficient multi-modal transportation system that supports neighborhood vitality” and the strategy to “[e]xpand options for non-automotive travel” as described on pages 127-146 of Plan Cincinnati (2012); now, therefore,

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

Section 1. That the transfer and return to source of \$197,197.76 from capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x222390, “Red Bike Program Expansion,” to the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050 is authorized.

Section 2. That \$197,197.76 is transferred and appropriated from the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050 to the Department of Transportation and Engineering FY 2024

non-personnel operating budget account no. 050x232x7200 to provide one-time resources for operating support to allow Red Bike d/b/a Cincy Bike Share, Inc. to continue to operate in the City.

Section 3. That the proper City officials are authorized to do all things necessary and proper to carry out the terms 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 deploy funding to allow Red Bike to continue operations.

Passed: _____, 2024

Aftab Pureval, Mayor

Attest: _____
Clerk