



City of Cincinnati

Budget and Finance Committee

Meeting Minutes

Chairperson Jeff Cramerding
Vice Chair Scotty Johnson
Vice Mayor Jan-Michele Kearney
Councilmember Anna Albi
Councilmember Mark Jeffreys
Councilmember Evan Nolan
Councilmember Meeka Owens
President Pro Tem Victoria Parks
Councilmember Seth Walsh

Tuesday, September 2, 2025 1:00 PM Council Chambers, Room 300

ROLL CALL

Present: Mark Jeffreys
Anna Albi
Jan-Michele Kearney
Jeff Cramerding
Meeka Owens
Scotty Johnson
Seth Walsh
Victoria Parks
Evan Nolan

Also in attendance were Colleen Swim, Chief, General Counsel, Steve Webb, Finance Director and Andrew Dudas, Budget Director. The meeting began at 1:01pm, went into Executive Session at 1:45pm and adjourned at 2:12pm.

AGENDA

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Ohio Revised Code 121.22(G)(1)

COMMUNICATION

1. COMMUNICATION, submitted by Councilmember Owens, [202501272](#)
regarding the Cincinnati Futures Commission.
Filed
2. COMMUNICATION, submitted by Mayor Aftab Pureval from [202501616](#)
The HPSRD Development Team regarding residential

opportunities in Cincinnati.

Filed

REPORT

3. REPORT, dated 8/6/2025, submitted Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, regarding the Tax Incentive Review Council status of property tax exemptions for Year End 2024.

[202501515](#)

Approve & File

DEDICATION TO PUBLIC USE

4. ORDINANCE submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 8/6/2025, DEDICATING, ACCEPTING, AND CONFIRMING the dedication to public use of an approximately 0.6991-acre tract of real property as a portion of North Bend Road, Colerain Avenue, and Shepherd Road, public rights-of-way in the Mt. Airy neighborhood of Cincinnati.

[202501533](#)

Recommend Passage

SOUTHEAST OHIO PUBLIC ENERGY COUNCIL

5. ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY) submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 8/6/2025, AUTHORIZING the scheduling of two public hearings to consider approving the Plan of Operation and Governance for the Southeast Ohio Public Energy Council and enabling the City to act jointly with other municipalities, townships, counties, and other political subdivisions to maximize the potential benefits of electricity procurement through group purchasing efforts in a retail electric aggregation program.

[202501560](#)

Recommend Passage Emergency

TRANSFERS AND APPROPRIATIONS

6. ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY), submitted by Vice Mayor Kearney, from Emily Smart Woerner, City Solicitor, AUTHORIZING the transfer of and return to source of \$500,000 from various capital or permanent improvement program project accounts to close out or decrease certain existing capital or permanent improvement program project accounts, according to Schedule A of the attached Schedule of Transfer; AUTHORIZING the transfer and appropriation of \$250,000 from the unappropriated surplus

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of Income Tax Permanent Improvement Fund 758 to a certain capital improvement program project account to provide resources for a certain capital improvement program project account, according to Schedule B of the attached Schedule of Transfer; AUTHORIZING the transfer and appropriation of \$250,000 from the unappropriated surplus of the General Fund to General Fund Department of Community and Economic Development non-personnel operating budget account no. 050x164x7400 to provide resources for the Grow Avondale Businesses Initiative public-private partnership to support Avondale Town Center; and DECLARING expenditures from General Fund Department of Community and Economic Development non-personnel operating budget account no. 050x164x7400 for the Grow Avondale Businesses Initiative public-private partnership to be for a public purpose.

Recommend Passage Emergency

GRANTS AND DONATIONS

7. ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY), submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 9/2/2025, ESTABLISHING new capital improvement program project account no. 980x232x262317, "HAM Cincinnati Crossings Grant PID 121898," to provide resources for safety improvements at the following seven locations: the Calhoun St. and Clifton Ave. intersection; the crossing on Calhoun St. at address 265; the Calhoun St. and Ohio Ave. intersection; the McMillan St. and Wheeler St. intersection; the McMillan St. and Moerlein Ave. intersection; the McMillan St. and Scioto Ln. intersection; and the Madison Rd. and Anderson Pl. intersection; AUTHORIZING the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate an Ohio Department of Transportation ("ODOT") Highway Safety Improvement Program ("HSIP") grant of up to \$1,552,500 to the newly established capital improvement program project account no. 980x232x262317, "HAM Cincinnati Crossings Grant PID 121898"; AUTHORIZING the Director of Finance to deposit the grant resources into capital improvement program project account no. 980x232x262317, "HAM Cincinnati Crossings Grant PID 121898"; AUTHORIZING the City Manager to enter into a Local Public Agency agreement with ODOT to complete the PID 121898 project and

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AUTHORIZING the City Manager to do all things necessary to cooperate with the Director of ODOT to complete the PID 121898 project.

Recommend Passage Emergency

8. ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY), submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 9/2/2025, ESTABLISHING new capital improvement program project account no. 980x232x262319, "Reading and Summit Safety Grant PID 119753," to make improvements and enhance pedestrian safety at the intersection of Reading Road and Summit Road in the Roselawn neighborhood (the "PID 119753 project"); AUTHORIZING the City Manager to accept and appropriate a Highway Safety Improvement Program Systemic Safety grant awarded by the Ohio Department of Transportation ("ODOT") of up to \$1,080,000 to newly established capital improvement program project account no. 980x232x262319, "Reading and Summit Safety Grant PID 119753"; AUTHORIZING the Director of Finance to deposit the grant resources into new capital improvement program project account no. 980x232x262319, "Reading and Summit Safety Grant PID 119753"; and AUTHORIZING the City Manager to do all things necessary to cooperate with the Director of ODOT to complete the PID 119753 project.

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Recommend Passage Emergency

9. ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY), submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 9/2/2025, AUTHORIZING the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency, FY 2025 Port Security Grant Program (ALN 97.056) of up to \$102,500, consisting of \$35,000 to support the Cincinnati Police Department's Port of Cincinnati Ohio River Surveillance Camera Network, and up to \$67,500 to support the Cincinnati Fire Department's Explosive Ordnance Disposal Robot for marine vessels; and AUTHORIZING the Director of Finance to deposit the grant funds for the Police Department into Law Enforcement Grant Fund revenue account no. 368x8553, project account no. 25PORT, and the grant funds for the Fire Department into Fire Grant Fund revenue account no. 472x8542.

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Recommend Passage Emergency

PAYMENTS

10. ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY), submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 9/2/2025, AUTHORIZING the payment of \$396,325.78 from the Cincinnati Police Department General Fund non-personnel operating budget account no. 050x226x3500x7299 as a moral obligation to Hamilton County for outstanding charges related to the processing of warrants in FY 2025. [202501602](#)

Recommend Passage Emergency

11. ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY) submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 9/2/2025, AUTHORIZING a payment of \$17,350 from County Law Enforcement Applied Regionally (CLEAR) Fund non-personnel operating budget account no. 457x093x7100x7417 to the Ohio State Highway Patrol for access to the Law Enforcement Automated Data System (LEADS) statewide criminal records database for over fifty Hamilton County law enforcement agencies and sub-agencies for the period of June 1, 2021, through June 30, 2021, pursuant to the attached then and now certificate from the Director of Finance. [202501599](#)

Recommend Passage Emergency

REPEAL

12. ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY), submitted by Mayor Aftab Pureval, Vice Mayor Kearney, President Pro Tem Parks and Councilmembers Albi, Cramerding, Jeffreys, Johnson, Nolan, Owens and Walsh from Emily Smart Woerner, City Solicitor, REPEALING Ordinance No. 97-2025, passed by Council on April 23, 2025, which amended the official zoning map of the City of Cincinnati to rezone the real property located at 2719 Erie Avenue in the Hyde Park neighborhood from the CN-P-B, "Commercial Neighborhood Pedestrian- Neighborhood Business District," zoning district to Planned Development District No. 103. [202501614](#)

Recommend Passage Emergency

Yes: Councilmember Jeffreys
Councilmember Albi
Vice Mayor Kearney
Vice Chair Cramerding
Councilmember Owens
Councilmember Johnson
Councilmember Walsh
Councilmember Parks
Councilmember Nolan

MOTION

- 13.** MOTION, submitted by Councilmembers Cramerding, Walsh, Owens and Jeffreys, WE MOVE that the \$2 million allocated to public safety in Motion #202501522 and an additional \$2.63 million from the General Fund Contingency Account be used for the following items:

[202501624](#)

Police, Public Visibility Overtime for CPD*, \$1,500,000.00
Police PIVOT Specialized Training \$30,000.00
Police CPD Recruitment Efforts \$90,000.00
Police Bond and Sentencing Project \$250,000.00
Outreach 3CDC Expanded Ambassador Program
\$880,000.00
Outreach Curfew Center - Lighthouse \$195,000.00
Outreach Curfew Center - Seven Hills \$185,000.00
Technology DOTE/CPD Streetlighting and Cameras
\$500,000.00
Technology License Plate Readers \$360,000.00
Technology CPD West End Camera Expansion
\$150,000.00
Technology Findlay Market Safety Improvements
\$150,000.00
Technology CGIC/PIVOT Drones \$40,000.00
Technology Drone Expansion \$100,000.00
Technology Fusus Expansion \$100,000.00
Technology Mobile Safety Camera Trailers \$100,000.00
Total \$4,630,000.00 (BALANCE ON FILE IN CLERK'S
OFFICE)

Held

ADJOURNMENT