

AUTHORIZING the City Manager to accept an in-kind donation of a marker from The Lafayette Trail, Inc. valued at approximately \$1,550 for the purpose of installing the marker on City park property in commemoration of the 200th anniversary of Marquis de Lafayette’s visit to Cincinnati on May 19, 1825; and **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to execute a donation agreement with The Lafayette Trail, Inc. to accept the marker.

WHEREAS, on August 3, 2022, Council passed Motion No. 202201550, which requested the Department of Transportation and Engineering, in coordination with the Parks Department, to work with The Lafayette Trail, Inc. to install a marker on the City’s Riverfront to commemorate the 200th anniversary of Marquis de Lafayette’s visit to Cincinnati on May 19, 1825; and further asked that the City accept the gift of the marker for installation in the vicinity of the American Queen Paddlewheel sculpture in the axis of Broadway Street; and

WHEREAS, Gilbert du Motier, Marquis de Lafayette, was a French aristocrat and military officer who fought alongside American colonists against British rule during the American Revolutionary War; and

WHEREAS, Lafayette visited Cincinnati on May 19, 1825 as part of his tour of the United States at the invitation of President James Monroe and the United States Congress; and

WHEREAS, The Lafayette Trail, Inc. has offered to donate a marker for installation on City park property to commemorate the 200th anniversary of Lafayette’s visit; and

WHEREAS, the Cincinnati Park Board will install and perform ongoing maintenance of the marker on Park Board-managed property located in the dedicated right-of-way of Broadway Street near the American Queen Paddlewheel sculpture; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Transportation and Engineering supports the donation and installation of the marker and has agreed to provide funding on a one-time basis to assist the Park Board with the installation cost; and

WHEREAS, the value of the marker is approximately \$1,550; and

WHEREAS, there is no local match required, and no FTEs are associated with this donation; and

WHEREAS, installation of signage to commemorate the 200th anniversary of Marquis de Lafayette’s visit to Cincinnati on May 19, 1825 is in accordance with the “Compete” goal to “[b]ecome nationally and internationally recognized as a vibrant and unique city” as well as the

strategy to “[p]romote Cincinnati’s lifestyle,” as described on page 121 of *Plan Cincinnati* (2012); now, therefore,

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

Section 1. That the City Manager is hereby authorized to accept an in-kind donation of a marker from The Lafayette Trail, Inc. valued at approximately \$1,550 for the purpose of installing the marker on City park property in commemoration of the 200th anniversary of Marquis de Lafayette’s visit to Cincinnati on May 19, 1825.

Section 2. That the City Manager is hereby authorized to execute a donation agreement with The Lafayette Trail, Inc. to accept the marker.

Section 3. That the proper City officials are hereby authorized to all things necessary and proper to carry out the terms of any donation agreement and Sections 1 and 2 herein.

Section 4. That this ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Passed: _____, 2022

Aftab Pureval, Mayor

Attest: _____
Clerk