

April 17, 2024

To: Mayor and Members of City Council 202401126

From: Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager

Subject: Emergency Ordinance - OES: Bloomberg Philanthropies Youth

Climate Action Fund Grant

Attached is an Emergency Ordinance captioned:

AUTHORIZING the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant of up to \$50,000 from the Bloomberg Philanthropies Youth Climate Action Fund to Environment and Sustainability Fund 436 to create the Cincinnati Youth Climate Action Program; and **AUTHORIZING** the Director of Finance to deposit grant revenues into Environment and Sustainability Fund 436 revenue account no. 436x8571.

This Emergency Ordinance authorizes the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant of up to \$50,000 from the Bloomberg Philanthropies Youth Climate Action Fund to Environment and Sustainability Fund 436 to create the Cincinnati Youth Climate Action Program.

The Cincinnati Youth Climate Action Program will support Cincinnati youth in designing, producing, and overseeing urgent climate solutions for potential projects. Upon completion of this \$50,000 grant award, the City will be eligible for an additional \$100,000 award to add to the Cincinnati Youth Climate Action Program, at which time a separate ordinance will be presented to the City Council for approval.

This grant does not require matching funds, and there are no new FTEs/full time equivalents associated with this grant.

The City has already applied for the grant, but no grant resources will be accepted without approval by the City Council.

Creating the Cincinnati Youth Climate Action Program is in accordance with the "Sustain" goal to "[b]ecome a healthier Cincinnati" and strategies to "[c]reate a healthy environment and reduce energy consumption" and "[m]ake sustainable access to and use of fresh, healthy food a priority in all neighborhoods," as well as the "Sustain" goal to "[p]reserve our natural and built environment" and strategy to "[p]rotect our natural resources" as described on pages 181-186 and 190-196 of Plan Cincinnati (2012).

The reason for the emergency is the immediate to accept the grant and meet established project timelines.

The Administration recommends passage of this Emergency Ordinance.

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