

June 3, 2026

To: Mayor and Members of City Council

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From: Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager

Subject: Emergency Ordinance – CMO: Adopt A Class Funding Agreement

Attached is an Emergency Ordinance captioned:

AUTHORIZING the City Manager to execute a funding agreement with Adopt A Class to provide one-time operational support to the program; **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to expend up to \$20,000 from the City Manager’s Office General Fund non-personnel operating budget account no. 050x101x7400 to provide one-time operational support to Adopt A Class; and **DECLARING** such expenditure to serve a public purpose.

This Emergency Ordinance authorizes the City Manager to execute a funding agreement with Adopt A Class to provide one-time operational support to the program. This Emergency Ordinance also authorizes the City Manager to expend up to \$20,000 from the City Manager’s Office General Fund non-personnel operating budget account no. 050x101x7400 to provide one-time operational support to Adopt A Class. Finally, this Emergency Ordinance declares such expenditure to serve a public purpose.

Adopt A Class connects local students with caring, adult mentors who provide exposure to a breadth of life and career experiences to increase students’ knowledge of opportunities. The program connects business, governments, and civic partners with students from underserved communities for monthly classroom visits and a year-end field trip. Adopt A Class currently serves approximately 10,000 students in 46 different schools within the Greater Cincinnati area.

Providing one-time operational support for Adopt A Class to support community engagement and education within Cincinnati’s schools is in accordance with the “Live” goal to “[b]uild a robust public life” and strategy to “[d]evelop and maintain inviting and engaging public spaces to encourage social interaction between different types of people” as described on pages 149-152 of Plan Cincinnati (2012)

The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to execute a funding agreement with Adopt A Class to provide support for upcoming programming.

The Administration recommends passage of this Emergency Ordinance.

cc: Andrew Dudas, Budget Director
Steve Webb, Finance Director



Attachment