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AMENDING Ordinance No. 352-1984, which established Fund No. 436, “Environmental Studies,” to change the name of the fund to “Environment and Sustainability,” and to expand the purpose of the fund to enable the City to receive and expend funds, including but not limited to grants, donations, settlements, fees, revenue from City-administered programs, and other sources of funding, in support of the projects and needs of the Office of Environment and Sustainability (or its successor) and the Green Cincinnati Plan.

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 352-1984, passed August 1, 1984, established Fund No. 436, “Environmental Studies Fund,” for the purpose of receiving contributions to support environmental studies and projects and for expending funds in furtherance of that objective; and

WHEREAS, in 2006, the City created the Office of Environmental Quality, known since 2016 as the Office of Environment and Sustainability (“OES”), to promote environmental sustainability, equity, and resilience throughout the City, and to support strategies and projects for growing green-sector economic opportunities, reducing the risks of climate change, and improving the comfort and quality of life for all citizens of Cincinnati; and

WHEREAS, in 2008, the City adopted the Green Cincinnati Plan, which presents a comprehensive set of goals, strategies, and actions to advance the environmental sustainability, equity, and resilience of the City, and which is periodically updated by OES in collaboration with community partners to improve outcomes; and

WHEREAS, implementation of the Green Cincinnati Plan may be funded by a variety of resources, including but not limited to grants, donations, settlements, fees, revenue from City-administered programs, and other sources of funding; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to amend Ordinance No. 352-1984 to change the name of Fund No. 436 from “Environmental Studies” to “Environment and Sustainability,” and to expand the purpose of the fund to enable the City to receive and expend a variety of financial resources in support of OES and the Green Cincinnati Plan; and

WHEREAS, amending Ordinance No. 352-1984 in this manner is in accordance with various goals of the Green Cincinnati Plan (2023) as well as the “Sustain” goal to “[m]anage our financial resources” as described on page 199 of Plan Cincinnati (2012); now, therefore,

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

Section 1. That Section 1 of Ordinance No. 0352-1984 is hereby amended as follows:

Section 1. Fund No. 436, "~~Environmental Studies Fund~~ Environment and Sustainability," is hereby established to enable the ~~city~~City to receive ~~contributions~~ funds, including but not limited to grants, donations, settlements, fees, revenue from City-administered programs, and other sources of funding, for the support of environmental studies and projects, as well as the projects and needs of the Office of Environment and Sustainability (or its successor) and the Green Cincinnati Plan, and to enable the City to expend funds in furtherance of these objectives. ~~that objective~~

Section 2. That all terms of Ordinance No. 0352-1984 not amended by this ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 3. 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 rename and expand the scope of Fund No. 436 to account for anticipated sources and uses of the fund.

Passed: _____, 2023

Aftab Pureval, Mayor

Attest: _____
Clerk

New language underscored. Deleted language indicated by strikethrough.