

September 5, 2024

To: Mayor and Members of Council

From: Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager

Subject: Ordinance - Modifying CMC 112 - Lobbyist Registration

(B Version)

Attached is an Ordinance captioned:

MODIFYING Chapter 112, "Council Lobbying," of the Cincinnati Municipal Code, by ORDAINING Sections 112-1-C, "Clerk," 112-1-C2, "Client," and 112-1-R, "Regulated Official"; AMENDING Sections 112-1-A, "Actively Advocate," 112-1-C, "Compensation," 112-1-E1, "Engage," 112-1-F, "Financial Transaction," 112-1-L, "Legislation," 112-1-L1, "Legislative Agent," 112-1-P, "Person," 112-1-S, "Staff," 112-3, "Prohibitions," 112-5, "Registration of Legislative Agent and Employer," 112-7, "Statements of Financial Transactions," 112-11, "Exceptions," 112-15, "Lobbying Duties of the Clerk of Council," 112-17, "Powers of Office of Contract Compliance and Investigations," and 112-99, "Penalty"; and REPEALING Sections 112-1-E, "Employer," and 112-9, "Complaints; Liability for False Statement," all to streamline, update, and modernize the City's process for registering lobbyists.

Approval of this Ordinance would modify Chapter 112, "Lobbying" of the Cincinnati Municipal Code to streamline the registration process by moving it to an on-line system, adjusting the fees to reflect the current cost of services, and repealing as well as updating sections that are no longer sufficient.

The Administration recommends passage of this Ordinance.

cc: William "Billy" Weber, Assistant City Manager