



City of Cincinnati Cincinnati City Council Meeting Minutes

801 Plum Street
Cincinnati, Ohio 45202

Wednesday, April 12, 2023

2:00 PM

Council Chambers, Room 300

Council convened at 2:00 P.M., Mayor Aftab Pureval, Presiding.

ROLL CALL

Vice Mayor Jan-Michele Kearney, Councilmember Liz Keating, Councilmember Jeff Cramerding, Councilmember Reggie Harris, Councilmember Mark Jeffreys, Councilmember Scotty Johnson, Councilmember Meeka Owens, President Pro Tempore Victoria Parks, and Councilmember Seth Walsh

In attendance were City Manager Sheryl Long, City Solicitor Emily Smart Woerner and Clerk of Council Melissa Autry.

Council observed a moment of silent prayer and recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

There being no objection, the Minutes of the previous session of Council were ordered Approved and Filed.

MAYOR AFTAB

Citizen Complaint Authority

1. **APPOINTMENT**, submitted by Mayor Aftab Pureval, I hereby appoint Dr. Samuel Burbanks to the Citizen Complaint Authority for a term of two years. This appointment is submitted to City Council for its advice & consent pursuant to its Rules. (Male/African American) [202301139](#)
Held one week pursuant to rule of council

Human Services Advisory Committee

2. **APPOINTMENT**, submitted by Mayor Aftab Pureval, I hereby appoint Shannon Nixson to the Human Services Advisory Committee for a term of three years. This appointment is submitted to City Council for its advice & consent pursuant to its Rules. (Female/African American) [202301140](#)
Held one week pursuant to rule of council
3. **APPOINTMENT**, submitted by Mayor Aftab Pureval, I hereby appoint Randi Burlew to the Human Services Advisory Committee for a term of three years. This appointment is submitted to City Council for its advice &

consent pursuant to its Rules. (Female/African American)

Held one week pursuant to rule of council

4. **APPOINTMENT**, submitted by Mayor Aftab Pureval, I hereby appoint Dari Daniels to the Human Services Advisory Committee for a term of three years. This appointment is submitted to City Council for its advice & consent pursuant to its Rules. (Female/African American) [202301142](#)

Held one week pursuant to rule of council

5. **APPOINTMENT**, submitted by Mayor Aftab Pureval, I hereby appoint Carla Ann Belcher to the Human Services Advisory Committee for a term of three years. This appointment is submitted to City Council for its advice & consent pursuant to its Rules. (Female/African American) [202301143](#)

Held one week pursuant to rule of council

6. **APPOINTMENT**, submitted by Mayor Aftab Pureval, I hereby appoint Courtney Morabito to the Human Services Advisory Committee for a term of three years. This appointment is submitted to City Council for its advice & consent pursuant to its Rules. (Female/White) [202301144](#)

Held one week pursuant to rule of council

MR. JOHNSON

7. **RESOLUTION**, submitted by Councilmember Johnson, from Emily Smart Woerner, City Solicitor, **RECOGNIZING** the life and celebrating the contributions of the late William K. Dunson to the City of Cincinnati and his immediate community. [202301133](#)

Passed

Yes:

- Vice Mayor Kearney
- Councilmember Keating
- Councilmember Cramerding
- Councilmember Harris
- Councilmember Jeffreys
- Councilmember Johnson
- Councilmember Owens
- President Pro Tempore Parks
- Councilmember Walsh

Enactment No: 0035-2023

CITY MANAGER

8. **REPORT**, dated 4/12/2023 submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on a communication from the State of Ohio, Division of Liquor Control, advising of a permit application for Family Dollar Stores of Ohio LLC, DBA Family Dollar 32300, 3119 Glenmore Avenue. (#26312758240, C1 C2, New) [Objections: None] [202301083](#)

Filed

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9. **REPORT**, dated 4/12/2023 submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on a communication from the State of Ohio, Division of Liquor Control, advising of a permit application for Madison Quickstop LLC, DBA Madison Quickstop, 6004 Madison Road, Suite A. (#5411348, C1 C2 D6, Transfer) [Objections: Yes] [202301087](#)
- Filed
10. **REPORT**, dated 4/12/2023, submitted Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, regarding the Finance and Budget Reports for the Period Ending January 31, 2023. [202301101](#)
- Referred to Budget & Finance Committee
11. **REPORT**, dated 4/12/2023, submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, regarding Special Event Permit Application for Jungle to the Hall III. [202301068](#)
- Filed
12. **REPORT**, dated 4/12/2023, submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, regarding Special Event Permit Application for People Working Cooperatively Cornhole Tournament. [202301088](#)
- Filed
13. **ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY)** submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 4/12/2023, **AUTHORIZING** the transfer and return to source of the sum of \$485,000 from capital improvement program project account no. 980x164x231617, "OTR Outdoor Improvements - GF CO," to the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050; **AUTHORIZING** the transfer and appropriation of the sum of \$485,000 from the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050 to the Department of Community and Economic Development General Fund non-personnel operating budget account no. 050x164x7200 for the purpose of providing resources for a Main Street Small Business Support program in Over-the-Rhine led by 3CDC; and **DECLARING** that the Main Street Small Business Support program serves a public purpose because the program will foster local improvements and investment and increase neighborhood vitality. [202301090](#)
- Referred to Budget & Finance Committee
14. **ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY)** submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 4/12/2023, **AUTHORIZING** the transfer and return to source of the sum of \$778,345 from the General Fund City Manager's Office non-personnel operating budget account no. 050x101x7400 to the unappropriated surplus of the General Fund; **AUTHORIZING** the transfer of the sum of \$778,345 from the unappropriated surplus of the General Fund to the unappropriated surplus of Citizens Jobs Fund 308 for the purpose of continuing the Career Pathways Program and funding youth employment opportunities. [202301091](#)
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Referred to Budget & Finance Committee

- 15. ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY)** submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 4/12/2023, **AUTHORIZING** a payment in an amount of \$19,050 to Terracon Consultants, Inc., as a moral obligation of the City of Cincinnati for professional services completed for the Wasson Way project.

[202301092](#)

Referred to Budget & Finance Committee

- 16. ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY)** submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 4/12/2023, **Authorizing** the payment of \$4,185 from Emergency Communications Center General Fund non-personnel operating budget account no. 050x103x0000x7418 as a moral obligation to Vector Solutions for outstanding charges in the form of software as a service for Guardian Tracking software.

[202301093](#)

Referred to Budget & Finance Committee

- 17. ORDINANCE** submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 4/12/2023, **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to apply for a grant in the amount of up to \$1,000,000 from the United States Environmental Protection Agency through the Environmental Justice Government-to-Government grant program (ALN 66.312) for the purpose of creating two Resilience Hubs at existing facilities in priority communities within the City of Cincinnati.

[202301094](#)

Referred to Budget & Finance Committee

- 18. ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY)** submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 4/12/2023, **MODIFYING**, the salary range schedule for the classification of Printing Services and Stores Manager by amending Section 880 of Division 8, Chapter 307 of the Cincinnati Municipal Code; and **MODIFYING** the salary range schedule and division for the classification of Emergency Communications Assistant Manager by enacting Section 826 of Division 8, Chapter 307 of the Cincinnati Municipal Code and repealing Section 826 of Division 0, Chapter 307 to ensure that the new salary ranges for these two positions are consistent with the level of responsibility of these positions and competitive with similar positions across internal and external job markets.

[202301096](#)

Referred to Public Safety & Governance Committee

- 19. ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY)** submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 4/12/2023, **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to accept and appropriate \$1,902,035 from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development to Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS Fund 465 in accordance with the attached Appropriation Schedule to fund various projects and operating allocations for the Housing Opportunities for Persons with HIV/AIDS Grant Program for Calendar Year 2023; announcing the City's intention to use said sum for various projects and operating allocations for the Housing Opportunities for Persons with HIV/AIDS Grant Program for Calendar Year 2023, in accordance with the

[202301135](#)

attached Appropriation Schedule, and to file the 2023 Annual Action Plan; and AUTHORIZING the City Manager to file the 2023 Annual Action Plan.

Referred to Budget & Finance Committee

- 20. ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY)** submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 4/12/2023, **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to accept and appropriate \$1,000,140 from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development to Emergency Shelter Grant Fund 445 in accordance with the attached Appropriation Schedule; and ANNOUNCING the City's intention to use the funds for various projects and operating allocations for the Emergency Solutions Grant Program for Calendar Year 2023, in accordance with the attached Appropriation Schedule, and to file the 2023 Annual Action Plan; and AUTHORIZING the City Manager to file the 2023 Annual Action Plan. [202301136](#)

Referred to Budget & Finance Committee

- 21. ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY)** submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 4/12/2023, **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to accept and appropriate \$2,890,863 from the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development to various Home Investment Trust Fund 411 project accounts in accordance with the attached Appropriation Schedule to fund various projects and operating allocations for the HOME Investment Partnerships Grant Program for Calendar Year 2023; AUTHORIZING the appropriation of \$190,434.11 in program income to various Home Investment Trust Fund 411 project accounts to fund the continuation of vital City programs in accordance with the attached Appropriation Schedule; ANNOUNCING the City's intention to use said sums for various projects and operating allocations for the HOME Investment Partnerships Grant Program for Calendar Year 2023 according to the attached Appropriation Schedule, and to file the 2023 Annual Action Plan; and AUTHORIZING the City Manager to file the 2023 Annual Action Plan. [202301137](#)

Referred to Budget & Finance Committee

- 22. ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY)** submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 4/12/2023, **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to accept and appropriate \$11,259,906 from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development to various Community Development Block Grant Fund 304 project accounts in accordance with Section A of the attached Appropriation Schedule for the purpose of funding various projects and operating allocations for the Community Development Block Grant Program for Calendar Year 2023; AUTHORIZING the appropriation of \$17,983.59 in program income in accordance with Section B of the attached Appropriation Schedule for the purpose of providing funding for the continuation of vital City programs; ANNOUNCING the City's intention to use said sum for various projects and operating allocations for the Community Development Block Grant Program for Calendar Year 2023 according to Section A of the attached Appropriation Schedule, and to file the 2023 Annual Action Plan; and AUTHORIZING the City Manager to file the 2023 Annual Action Plan. [202301138](#)

Referred to Budget & Finance Committee

CLERK OF COUNCIL

- 23. STATEMENT**, submitted by the Clerk of Council formally filing a copy of the Financial Disclosure Statement for Angela J. Wright/Office of the City Manager/Chief of Staff. [202301106](#)
- Filed
- 24. STATEMENT**, submitted by the Clerk of Council formally filing a copy of the Financial Disclosure Statement for Brooke Eden Cashion/Procurement/Division Manager. [202301107](#)
- Filed
- 25. STATEMENT**, submitted by the Clerk of Council formally filing a copy of the Financial Disclosure Statement for Gerald L. Thomason/Human Resources/Division Manager. [202301109](#)
- Filed
- 26. STATEMENT**, submitted by the Clerk of Council formally filing a copy of the Financial Disclosure Statement for Tommaso Turchiano/Public Services/Division Manager NOD. [202301111](#)
- Filed
- 27. STATEMENT**, submitted by the Clerk of Council formally filing a copy of the Financial Disclosure Statement for Jason Brian Barron/Parks Director. [202301113](#)
- Filed
- 28. STATEMENT**, submitted by the Clerk of Council formally filing a copy of the Financial Disclosure Statement for Joel Daily Gross/Cincinnati Park Board/Division Manager of Planning and Design. [202301114](#)
- Filed
- 29. STATEMENT**, submitted by the Clerk of Council formally filing a copy of the Financial Disclosure Statement for Michelle Daniels/Health/Assistant Health Commissioner. [202301116](#)
- Filed
- 30. STATEMENT**, submitted by the Clerk of Council formally filing a copy of the Financial Disclosure Statement for Edward Philip Cunningham/Deputy Director/Buildings & Inspections. [202301117](#)
- Filed
- 31. STATEMENT**, submitted by the Clerk of Council formally filing a copy of the Financial Disclosure Statement for Angela Strunc/DOTE/Division Manager. [202301118](#)
- Filed
- 32. STATEMENT**, submitted by the Clerk of Council formally filing a copy of the Financial Disclosure Statement for Maryse Amin/Health/Assistant Health Commissioner. [202301119](#)

Filed

- 33. REGISTRATION**, submitted by the Clerk of Council from Legislative Agent Annalese Cahill, Government Affairs, Government Relations Associate, 225 E 5TH Street, Suite 1900, Cincinnati, Ohio 45202. (CINCYTECH)

[202301120](#)

Filed

BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

- 34. ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY)** submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 4/5/2023, **AUTHORIZING** City Manager or her designee to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant in the amount of \$265 from Adopt A Class for the purpose of providing resources to assist with transportation costs related to an Adopt A Class Program field trip tour of the Greater Cincinnati Water Works treatment plant facilities to Water Works non-personnel operating budget account no. 314x301x7200; and **AUTHORIZING** the Finance Director to deposit any such grant funds received into Fund No. 314x8571, "Special Events."

[202301050](#)

Passed Emergency

Yes: Vice Mayor Kearney
 Councilmember Keating
 Councilmember Cramerding
 Councilmember Harris
 Councilmember Jeffreys
 Councilmember Johnson
 Councilmember Owens
 President Pro Tempore Parks
 Councilmember Walsh
 Enactment No: 0117-2023

Emergency clause to remain

Yes: Vice Mayor Kearney
 Councilmember Keating
 Councilmember Cramerding
 Councilmember Harris
 Councilmember Jeffreys
 Councilmember Johnson
 Councilmember Owens
 President Pro Tempore Parks
 Councilmember Walsh
 Enactment No: 0117-2023

Suspension of the three readings

Yes: Vice Mayor Kearney
 Councilmember Keating
 Councilmember Cramerding
 Councilmember Harris
 Councilmember Jeffreys
 Councilmember Johnson
 Councilmember Owens
 President Pro Tempore Parks
 Councilmember Walsh
 Enactment No: 0117-2023

- 35. RESOLUTION (LEGISLATIVE)** submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 4/5/2023, **DECLARING** the necessity of assessing properties in Lighting Group 2 that benefit from special street lighting within the City of Cincinnati for the cost of such lighting for the three-year period beginning August 1, 2022.

[202301052](#)

Passed

Yes: Vice Mayor Kearney
 Councilmember Keating
 Councilmember Cramerding
 Councilmember Harris
 Councilmember Jeffreys
 Councilmember Johnson
 Councilmember Owens
 President Pro Tempore Parks
 Councilmember Walsh
 Enactment No: 0036-2023

Suspension of the three readings

Yes: Vice Mayor Kearney
 Councilmember Keating
 Councilmember Cramerding
 Councilmember Harris
 Councilmember Jeffreys
 Councilmember Johnson
 Councilmember Owens
 President Pro Tempore Parks
 Councilmember Walsh
 Enactment No: 0036-2023

- 36. ORDINANCE** submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 4/5/2023, **AMENDING** Ordinance No. 139-1960, which authorized the establishment of Fund No. 756, "Water Works Capital Improvements Program," for the purpose of expanding the permissible sources for

[202301060](#)

deposit into the fund to include state and federal loan and grant funding for water works capital improvements.

Passed

Yes: Vice Mayor Kearney
Councilmember Keating
Councilmember Cramerding
Councilmember Harris
Councilmember Jeffreys
Councilmember Johnson
Councilmember Owens
President Pro Tempore Parks
Councilmember Walsh
Enactment No: 0118-2023

Suspension of the three readings

Yes: Vice Mayor Kearney
Councilmember Keating
Councilmember Cramerding
Councilmember Harris
Councilmember Jeffreys
Councilmember Johnson
Councilmember Owens
President Pro Tempore Parks
Councilmember Walsh
Enactment No: 0118-2023

- 37. ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY)** submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 4/5/2023, AUTHORIZING the payment of \$3,745.14 from Cincinnati Recreation Commission Recreation Federal Grant Projects Fund non-personnel operating budget account no. 324x192x2210x7473 as a moral obligation to MMP LLC (dba Creative Storm) for marketing materials purchased for upcoming spring and summer events.

[202301061](#)

Passed Emergency

Yes: Vice Mayor Kearney
Councilmember Keating
Councilmember Cramerding
Councilmember Harris
Councilmember Jeffreys
Councilmember Johnson
Councilmember Owens
President Pro Tempore Parks
Councilmember Walsh

Enactment No: 0119-2023

Emergency clause to remain

- Yes:** Vice Mayor Kearney
 - Councilmember Keating
 - Councilmember Cramerding
 - Councilmember Harris
 - Councilmember Jeffreys
 - Councilmember Johnson
 - Councilmember Owens
 - President Pro Tempore Parks
 - Councilmember Walsh
- Enactment No: 0119-2023

Suspension of the three readings

- Yes:** Vice Mayor Kearney
 - Councilmember Keating
 - Councilmember Cramerding
 - Councilmember Harris
 - Councilmember Jeffreys
 - Councilmember Johnson
 - Councilmember Owens
 - President Pro Tempore Parks
 - Councilmember Walsh
- Enactment No: 0119-2023

38. ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY) submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 4/5/2023, **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to apply for grant resources from the Clean Ohio Trails Fund grant program to be awarded by the Ohio Department of Natural Resources in an amount up to \$500,000 for the purpose of providing resources for the Red Bank Road Shared Use Path (PID 86461).

[202301062](#)

Passed Emergency

- Yes:** Vice Mayor Kearney
 - Councilmember Keating
 - Councilmember Cramerding
 - Councilmember Harris
 - Councilmember Jeffreys
 - Councilmember Johnson
 - Councilmember Owens
 - President Pro Tempore Parks
 - Councilmember Walsh
- Enactment No: 0120-2023

Emergency clause to remain

Yes: Vice Mayor Kearney
Councilmember Keating
Councilmember Cramerding
Councilmember Harris
Councilmember Jeffreys
Councilmember Johnson
Councilmember Owens
President Pro Tempore Parks
Councilmember Walsh
Enactment No: 0120-2023

Suspension of the three readings

Yes: Vice Mayor Kearney
Councilmember Keating
Councilmember Cramerding
Councilmember Harris
Councilmember Jeffreys
Councilmember Johnson
Councilmember Owens
President Pro Tempore Parks
Councilmember Walsh
Enactment No: 0120-2023

SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS

CLIMATE, ENVIRONMENT & INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE

39. RESOLUTION, submitted by Mayor Aftab Pureval and Councilmembers Owens and Jeffreys ADOPTING the 2023 Green Cincinnati Plan as the comprehensive climate action plan for the City of Cincinnati.

[202301081](#)

Passed

Yes: Vice Mayor Kearney
Councilmember Keating
Councilmember Cramerding
Councilmember Harris
Councilmember Jeffreys
Councilmember Johnson
Councilmember Owens
President Pro Tempore Parks
Councilmember Walsh
Enactment No: 0037-2023

- 40. MOTION**, submitted by Councilmembers Jeffreys, Owens and Harris, To understand opportunities for further development along or near transit corridors, **WE MOVE** that the Administration report back to Council within ninety days (90) on: An audit of high-potential surface parking and vacant lots owned by the City along or near transit corridors. Recommendations on which among those properties should be candidates for issuing a Request for Proposal (RFP) to develop housing, retail, office space, or other development. (STATEMENT ATTACHED).

[202301025](#)

Adopted

Yes: Vice Mayor Kearney
Councilmember Keating
Councilmember Cramerding
Councilmember Harris
Councilmember Jeffreys
Councilmember Johnson
Councilmember Owens
President Pro Tempore Parks
Councilmember Walsh

- 41. ORDINANCE**, submitted by Councilmember Owens, from Emily Smart Woerner, City Solicitor, **ORDAINING** Chapter 1041, "Environmental Advisory Board," of Title X, "Environmental Code," of the Cincinnati Municipal Code to establish the Environmental Advisory Board as a resource for the City in its ongoing commitment to enact policies, practices, and procedures that combat climate change, improve the health and well-being of our citizens and our environment, and position Cincinnati to be a leader in sustainability policy and city-level climate change initiatives.

[202301048](#)

Passed

Yes: Vice Mayor Kearney
Councilmember Keating
Councilmember Cramerding
Councilmember Harris
Councilmember Jeffreys
Councilmember Johnson
Councilmember Owens
President Pro Tempore Parks
Councilmember Walsh
Enactment No: 0121-2023

Suspension of the three readings

Yes: Vice Mayor Kearney
Councilmember Keating
Councilmember Cramerding
Councilmember Harris
Councilmember Jeffreys
Councilmember Johnson
Councilmember Owens
President Pro Tempore Parks
Councilmember Walsh
Enactment No: 0121-2023

No announcements at this time.

Council adjourned at 2:34 P.M.