

EMERGENCY

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- 2026

AUTHORIZING the City Manager to execute a funding agreement with TaylorMade Catering & Event Planning, LLC to facilitate the establishment and initial operation of food service within City Hall; **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to expend up to \$50,000 from the City Manager's Office General Fund non-personnel operating budget account no. 050x101x7400 to facilitate the establishment and initial operation of food service within City Hall; and **DECLARING** such expenditure to serve a public purpose.

WHEREAS, City Hall serves as the principal administrative center for the City of Cincinnati and accommodates a substantial number of City employees, elected officials, visitors, and members of the public on a daily basis; and

WHEREAS, City Hall contains a first-floor café space to provide food and beverages to City employees, elected officials, visitors, and other members of the public conducting business at City Hall; and

WHEREAS, the previous food service provider ceased operations in City Hall in December 2024, after which the City renovated the café space to prepare it for occupancy and operation by a new food service provider; and

WHEREAS, in January 2025, the City issued a Request for Proposals seeking a new food service provider, but received no responses; and

WHEREAS, the City has determined that adequate food service amenities contribute to employee recruitment, retention, productivity, wellness, and operational efficiency; and

WHEREAS, the City has further determined that the availability of on-site food service will improve public access to municipal services by providing a convenient amenity for residents and visitors who spend extended periods of time conducting business with the City; and

WHEREAS, the City has determined that, due to the unique location and operational requirements associated with providing food service within City Hall, financial assistance is necessary to secure a qualified operator and to ensure the reliable, continuous, and long-term provision of food service within the facility; and

WHEREAS, to restore convenient and reliable food service operations for City employees, elected officials, visitors, and other members of the public conducting business at City Hall, the City is taking the necessary steps to finalize an agreement with TaylorMade Catering & Event Planning, LLC ("TaylorMade"); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the funding agreement, TaylorMade will undertake obligations to establish, equip, staff, and operate the City Hall café in accordance with operating standards, hours of service, and other requirements established by the City for the benefit of City employees, elected officials, visitors, and members of the public; and

WHEREAS, the City has determined that the funding authorized herein is reasonably related to securing the establishment and initial operation of food service within City Hall and is necessary to obtain the public benefits described herein; and

WHEREAS, facilitating the establishment and operation of food service within City Hall 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); now, therefore,

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

Section 1. That the City Manager is authorized to execute a funding agreement with TaylorMade Catering & Event Planning, LLC to facilitate the establishment and initial operation of food service within City Hall.

Section 2. That the City Manager is authorized to expend up to \$50,000 from the City Manager’s Office General Fund non-personnel operating budget account no. 050x101x7400 to facilitate the establishment and initial operation of food service within City Hall.

Section 3. That expending up to \$50,000 to facilitate the establishment and operation of food service within City Hall is declared to serve a public purpose because it will support the efficient operation of City government, improve workplace conditions for employees, enhance the experience of members of the public conducting business at City Hall, secure the provision of food service within a City-owned facility for the benefit of City employees and members of the public, and place the renovated café space into productive use.

Section 4. That the proper City officials are authorized to do all things necessary and proper to carry out the provisions of Sections 1 through 3.

Section 5. 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 restore food service to the facility and prevent the continued vacancy of the City Hall café space.

Passed: _____, 2026

Aftab Pureval, Mayor

Attest: _____
Clerk