



City of Cincinnati

Budget and Finance Committee

Meeting Minutes

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Monday, February 13, 2023 **1:00 PM** **Council Chambers, Room 300**

Seth Walsh
Jan-Michele Kearney
Liz Keating
Councilmember Jeff Cramerding
Mark Jeffreys
Scotty Johnson
Meeka Owens
Victoria Parks
Councilmember Harris

Also in attendance were Dr. Andrew Dudas, Budget Director, Karen Alder, Finance Director, Erica Faaborg, Law Department and Robert Neely, Clerk.

PRESENTATIONS

Cincinnati Southern Railway Overview and Next Steps

Kaitlyn Geiger, Law Department

Paul Sylvester, Treasurer, CSR Board

Community Reinvestment Act- Meyer Lofts

Markiea L. Carter, Director of Community and Economic Development

AGENDA

COMMUNITY REINVESTMENT AREA AGREEMENT

1. ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY) submitted by Sheryl M. M. [202300559](#)

Long, City Manager, on 2/8/2023, APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING the City Manager to execute a Community Reinvestment Area Tax Exemption Agreement with Condominium Holdings, LLC, an affiliate of Cincinnati City Center Development Corporation, commonly known as 3CDC, thereby authorizing a 15-year tax exemption for 100% of the value of improvements to real property located at 1428 Vine Street in the Over-the-Rhine neighborhood of Cincinnati, in connection with the remodeling of the first floors of two existing buildings into approximately 2,486 square feet of ground floor commercial space, at a total construction cost of approximately \$466,444.

Held

GRANTS AND DONATIONS

2. ORDINANCE submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 2/8/2023, AUTHORIZING the City Manager to apply for a Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity grant awarded by the United States Department of Transportation in the amount of up to \$5,000,000 for the purpose of conducting a study and creating a preliminary design for a Complete Streets project, which includes improving the safety of City streets and enhancing pedestrian connections and safety.

[202300548](#)

Recommend Passage

3. ORDINANCE submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 2/8/2023, AUTHORIZING the establishment of new capital improvement program project account nos. 980x232x232394, "Wasson Way Ph 7 FY21-22 ODNR Grant," 980x232x232395, "Wasson Way Ph 3-7 FY21-22 ODNR Grant," and 980x232x232397, "Wasson Way FY23-24 ODNR Grant"; AUTHORIZING the City Manager to accept and appropriate State of Ohio Capital Budget resources in the amount of up to \$50,000 as authorized by Senate Bill 310 for Fiscal Years 2021-2022 to newly established capital improvement program project account no. 980x232x232394, "Wasson Way Ph 7 FY21-22 ODNR Grant," for the purpose of providing resources for Phase 7 of the Wasson Way project; AUTHORIZING the City Manager to accept and appropriate grant resources in the amount of up to \$250,000 from the State of Ohio Capital

[202300554](#)

Budget as authorized by Senate Bill 310 for Fiscal Years 2021-2022 to newly established capital improvement program project account no. 980x232x232395, "Wasson Way Ph 3-7 FY21-22 ODNR Grant," for the purpose of providing resources for Phases 3 through 7 of the Wasson Way project; AUTHORIZING the City Manager to accept and appropriate grant resources in the amount of up to \$350,000 from the State of Ohio Capital Budget as authorized by House Bill 687 for Fiscal Years 2023-2024 to newly established capital improvement program project account no. 980x232x232397, "Wasson Way FY23-24 ODNR Grant," for the purpose of providing resources for the Wasson Way project; AUTHORIZING the Director of Finance to deposit State of Ohio Capital Budget Grant funds into their respective accounts as referenced in this ordinance; and AUTHORIZING the City Manager to enter into an agreement with the Ohio Department of Natural Resources ("ODNR") to do all things necessary to cooperate with the Director of ODNR to complete the Wasson Way project.

Recommend Passage

4. ORDINANCE submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 2/8/2023, AUTHORIZING the City Manager to accept and appropriate a grant in the amount of up to \$350,000 from the Ohio Department of Health to support a project to evaluate the utility of SARS-CoV-2 wastewater monitoring on the subsewershed level, rather than the regional level; and AUTHORIZING the Finance Director to deposit the grant funds into Public Health Research Fund revenue account no. 350x8536.

[202300551](#)

Recommend Passage

5. ORDINANCE submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 2/8/2023, AUTHORIZING the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant of up to \$26,030 from the Cincinnati Police Department Community Preventive Education Grant Program for the purpose of providing resources for the Cincinnati Recreation Commission's Safety While Integrating Skills and Hoops program; and AUTHORIZING the Finance Director to deposit the grant funds into Contributions for Recreation Purposes Fund 319 revenue account no. 319x8571.

[202300553](#)

Recommend Passage

6. ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY) submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 2/8/2023, AUTHORIZING the City Manager to accept an in-kind donation from the United States Department of Justice, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives, of a 2001 Ford F-250 pickup truck valued at \$10,800 for use by the Cincinnati Police Department, Crime Gun Intelligence Center, to perform vehicle stabilization techniques. [202300550](#)

Recommend Passage

PAYMENTS

7. ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY) submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 2/8/2023, AMENDING Ordinance No. 259-2022 to allow the Director of Finance to accept all settlement payments for eligible expenses from the OneOhio Opioid Distributor Settlement and deposit those payments into Fund 475, "Opioid Settlement." [202300555](#)

Recommend Passage

PRESENTATIONS

8. PRESENTATION, submitted by Councilmember Harris from Kaitlyn Geiger, City of Cincinnati Law Department entitled Cincinnati Southern Railway Overview and Next Steps. [202300617](#)

Filed

9. PRESENTATION, submitted by Councilmember Harris from Markiea L. Carter, Director of Community and Economic Development entitled Meyer Lofts- Development Overview. [202300618](#)

Filed

10. REPORT, dated 2/13/2023, submitted Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, regarding the Budget Schedule for Fiscal Year (FY) 2024-25 Biennial Budget. [202300619](#)

Approve & File

ADJOURNMENT