

**EMERGENCY**

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**- 2022**

**AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to apply for financial assistance from the Ohio Department of Transportation for transit purposes under the Ohio Urban Transit Program for state fiscal year 2023.

WHEREAS, the Ohio Department of Transportation (“ODOT”) has been delegated the authority to award state financial assistance for transit projects under the Ohio Urban Transit Program (“UTP”), and the City wishes to apply for such financial assistance and other grants and assistance made available for the state fiscal year 2023; and

WHEREAS, the City is a direct recipient of Federal Transit Administration Section 5307 funds and is eligible to apply for financial assistance for the Connector streetcar project under the UTP for state fiscal year 2023; and

WHEREAS, there is no local match required for UTP project awards; and

WHEREAS, ODOT requires applicants for funding to include legislative authorization as part of the application process for award of UTP resources; and

WHEREAS, in making UTP applications for such financial assistance, the City will provide the annual certifications and assurances to the State of Ohio required for the Connector streetcar project, pursuant to any grants and to its status as a grantee; and

WHEREAS, applying for Ohio UTP resources to support the Connector streetcar is in accordance with the “Connect” goal to “[d]evelop an efficient multi-modal transportation system that supports neighborhood livability” and strategy to “[p]lan, design, and implement a safe and sustainable transportation system,” as described on pages 129-138 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 hereby authorized to apply for financial assistance from the Ohio Department of Transportation (“ODOT”) for transit purposes under the Ohio Urban Transit Program (“UTP”) for state fiscal year 2023.

Section 2. That the proper City officials are authorized to take all necessary and proper actions to provide certifications, assurances, and other documents that ODOT requires in advance of awarding financial assistance under the UTP.

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 submit an application to ODOT under the UTP in order to meet applicable program deadlines.

Passed: \_\_\_\_\_, 2022

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Aftab Pureval, Mayor

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk