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To: Mayor and Members of City Council

From: Paula Boggs Muething, City Manager

Subject: Emergency Ordinance – Donation for Ezzard Charles Statue Plaza

Attached is an Emergency Ordinance captioned:

AUTHORIZING the City Manager to accept and deposit a donation in an amount of \$100,000 from the Cincinnati Parks Foundation into Fund No. 430, “Parks Private Endowment,” for the purpose of providing resources for the design and construction of the accessible plaza for the Ezzard Charles statue in Laurel Park; **ESTABLISHING** new capital improvement program project account no. 980x203x212009, “Ezzard Charles Statue Plaza,” for the purpose of providing resources for the design and construction of the accessible plaza for the Ezzard Charles statue in Laurel Park; and further **AUTHORIZING** the transfer and appropriation of \$100,000 from the unappropriated surplus of Fund No. 430, “Parks Private Endowment,” to newly established capital improvement program project account no. 980x203x212009, “Ezzard Charles Statue Plaza.”

This Emergency Ordinance authorizes the establishment of new capital improvement program project account no. 980x203x212009, “Ezzard Charles Statue Plaza.” The Emergency Ordinance authorizes the City Manager to accept and deposit a donation of \$100,000 from the Cincinnati Parks Foundation to Fund 430, “Parks Private Endowment,” to provide resources for the design and construction of the accessible plaza for the Ezzard Charles statue in Laurel Park. The Emergency Ordinance also authorizes the transfer and appropriation of \$100,000 from the unappropriated surplus of Fund 430, “Parks Private Endowment,” to newly established capital improvement program project account no. 980x203x212009, “Ezzard Charles Statue Plaza.”

Design and construction of the accessible plaza for the Ezzard Charles statue is in accordance with the “Live” goal to “build a robust public life” and strategy to “develop and maintain inviting and engaging public spaces that encourage social interaction between different types of people” as described on pages 147 – 152 of Plan Cincinnati (2012).

The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to accept this donation within the timeframe necessary for construction to begin.

cc: Christopher A. Bigham, Assistant City Manager
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Attachment

