

September 11, 2024

To: Mayor and Members of City Council

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From: Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager

Subject: Emergency Ordinance - OES: Provide Grant Match to Co-Op Cincy

Attached is an Emergency Ordinance captioned:

AUTHORIZING the transfer and return to source of \$15,000 from capital improvement program project account no. 980x104x231029, "Green Cincinnati Sustainability Initiatives – GF," to source Fund No. 050, "General Fund," to realign sources with uses; and **AUTHORIZING** the transfer and appropriation of \$15,000 from the unappropriated surplus of Fund No. 050, "General Fund," to Office of Environment and Sustainability General Fund non-personnel operating budget account no. 050x104x7200 to provide local matching resources to Co-op Cincy for a United States Department of Labor grant awarded to Co-op Cincy.

This Emergency Ordinance authorizes the transfer and return to source of \$15,000 from the "Green Cincinnati Sustainability Initiatives – GF" capital improvement program project account to the General Fund. This Emergency Ordinance also authorizes the transfer and appropriation of \$15,000 from the unappropriated surplus of the General Fund to the Office of Environment and Sustainability ("OES") General Fund non-personnel operating budget to provide local matching resources to Co-op Cincy for a United States Department of Labor (DOL) grant awarded to Co-op Cincy.

On June 23, 2022, the City Council approved and adopted its Capital Improvement Program (CIP) and Budget for Fiscal Year 2023, which included \$4,000,000 for the "Green Cincinnati Sustainability Initiatives – GF" capital project. OES will utilize \$15,000 of these resources to provide a local grant match to Co-op Cincy. With these resources, the City and Co-op Cincy will collaborate on a green workforce analysis to build an equitable workforce strategy. Co-op Cincy will also procure a consultant to analyze and report steps to achieve the 2023 Green Cincinnati Plan goal to train 4,000 individuals for green economy jobs by 2028.

Performing a green workforce analysis and developing a green economy training plan is in accordance with the "Compete" goal to "[f]oster a climate conducive to growth, investment, stability, and opportunity" and strategy to "[g]row our own' by focusing on retention, expansion, and relocation of existing businesses" as described on pages 103–107 of Plan Cincinnati (2012).

The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to provide grant matching resources to Co-op Cincy to meet established grant deadlines.

The Administration recommends passage of this Emergency Ordinance.

cc: Andrew M. Dudas, Budget Director Karen Alder, Finance Director