

AUTHORIZING the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate Water Supply Revolving Loan Account loan funding of up to \$91,000,000 from the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency and the Ohio Water Development Authority to reimburse costs incurred by the Greater Cincinnati Water Works to replace aging water mains and service lines; and **AUTHORIZING** the Director of Finance to deposit the loan funds into Water Works Capital Improvement Fund revenue account no. 756x8569.

WHEREAS, Water Supply Revolving Loan Account (“WSRLA”) funding of up to \$91,000,000 is available from the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency and the Ohio Water Development Authority; and

WHEREAS, the Greater Cincinnati Water Works (“GCWW”) currently operates a program that aims to replace aging water mains and service lines within the utility’s service area to reduce leaks and breaks; and

WHEREAS, GCWW desires to apply for up to \$91,000,000 in WSRLA funding for the replacement of aging water mains and service lines; and

WHEREAS, the loan does not require matching funds, and there are no new FTEs/full time equivalents associated with the loan; and

WHEREAS, this funding will reimburse costs incurred to replace aging water mains as part of GCWW’s water main replacement program, which may include: Burch/East Hill/Shaw; McHenry/Sunshine/Wooster; Fire Flow 23/Bethany; Budd St; Plum/Court; Mt Hope/Warsaw; Alms/Chapel; Bader/Henshaw; Blaesi/Camargo; California Golf Course; Concord-Morgan; Handasyde/Michigan/Perkins; Observatory/Shaw/Linshaw; Samver/Leumas; Vine St; Voll/Stanley; and Western Hills Feeder Ph 2; and

WHEREAS, assisting with the cost of aging water main and service line replacement projects is in accordance with the “Sustain” goal to “[b]ecome a healthier Cincinnati” and strategy to “[c]reate a healthy environment and reduce energy consumption” as described on pages 181-185 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 apply for, accept, and appropriate Water Supply Revolving Loan Account loan funding of up to \$91,000,000 from the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency and the Ohio Water Development Authority to reimburse costs incurred by the Greater Cincinnati Water Works to replace aging water mains and service lines.

Section 2. That the Director of Finance is authorized to deposit the loan funds into Water Works Capital Improvement Fund revenue account no. 756x8569.

Section 3. That the proper City officials are authorized to do all things necessary and proper to carry out the terms of the loan and Sections 1 and 2.

Section 4. That this ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest time allowed by law.

Passed: _____, 2026

Aftab Pureval, Mayor

Attest: _____
Clerk