

January 12, 2022

To: Mayor and Members of City Council 202200056

From: Paula Boggs Muething, City Manager

Subject: **Emergency Ordinance – DOTE: Ohio Urban Transit Program Grant**

Attached is an Emergency Ordinance captioned:

AUTHORIZING the City Manager to accept and appropriate a grant of up to \$29,091 from the Ohio Urban Transit Program awarded by the Ohio Department of Transportation to the Streetcar Operations Fund non-personnel operating budget account no. 455x236x7200 for the purpose of providing resources for preventative maintenance on the streetcar system; and **AUTHORIZING** the Director of Finance to deposit the grant resources into Special Revenue Fund 455, “Streetcar Operations.”

This Emergency Ordinance authorizes the City Manager to accept and appropriate a grant of up to \$29,091 from the Ohio Urban Transit Program (UTP) awarded by the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) to the Streetcar Operations Fund non-personnel operating budget account no. 455x236x7200 to provide resources for preventative maintenance on the streetcar system. This Emergency Ordinance also authorizes the Director of Finance to deposit the grant resources into Special Revenue Fund 455, “Streetcar Operations.”

In Ordinance No. 0268-2021, the City Council authorized the City Administration to apply for financial assistance from ODOT under the Ohio UTP for state fiscal year 2022. ODOT awarded a grant in an amount up to \$29,091 to the City for preventative maintenance expenses for the streetcar system. City Council authorization is now required to accept and appropriate grant resources.

The Ohio UTP grant does not require a local match. No new FTEs are required.

Utilizing Ohio UTP resources to support the streetcar is in accordance with the “Connect” goal to “Develop an efficient multi-modal transportation system that supports neighborhood livability,” as described on pages 129 – 138 of Plan Cincinnati (2012).

The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to utilize the grant resources within the streetcar preventative maintenance schedule and expend resources within the State of Ohio’s FY 2022 budget cycle.

The Administration recommends passage of this Emergency Ordinance.

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



Attachment