



# City of Cincinnati

## Budget and Finance Committee

### Meeting Minutes

Chairperson Jeff Cramerding  
Vice Chair Scotty Johnson  
Vice Mayor Jan-Michele Kearney  
Councilmember Anna Albi  
Councilmember Mark Jeffreys  
Councilmember Evan Nolan  
Councilmember Meeka Owens  
President Pro Tem Victoria Parks  
Councilmember Seth Walsh

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**Monday, February 24, 2025**      **1:00 PM**      **Council Chambers, Room 300**

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#### ROLL CALL

**Present:** Mark Jeffreys  
Anna Albi  
Jan-Michele Kearney  
Jeff Cramerding  
Meeka Owens  
Scotty Johnson  
Seth Walsh  
Victoria Parks  
Evan Nolan

#### **AGENDA**

#### **COMMUNICATION**

1. **COMMUNICATION**, submitted by Councilmember Cramerding, from Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, regarding the Budget Schedule for Fiscal Year (FY) 2026-2027 Biennial Budget.

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#### **MOTIONS**

2. **MOTION**, submitted by Councilmember Jeffreys, **WE MOVE** that the Administration share a plan within 60 days for benchmarking Development Performance Measures or other regional peer cities (e.g. Blue Ash, Florence, Norwood). (BALANCE ON FILE IN THE CLERK'S OFFICE) (STATEMENT ATTACHED)

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Adopt

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## REPORTS

3. **REPORT**, dated 2/20/2025, submitted Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, regarding City Council electronic voting system. (Reference Document # 202401604)

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## HUMAN SERVICES

4. **ORDINANCE**, submitted by Councilmember Owens, from Emily Smart Woerner, City Solicitor, **ESTABLISHING** the City's human services funding priorities for the first year of the biennial budget, beginning with FY 2026, the second year of the biennial budget (budget update), beginning with FY 2027, and subsequent budgets and fiscal years; **ESTABLISHING** a human services funding Impact Award for one large-scale social innovation project to be awarded only in the first year of the biennial budget, and a revised multi-year funding cycle for all human services funding; **ADVISING** the United Way of Greater Cincinnati ("United Way") and any organization assisting the City with evaluating human services funding applications that Council's priorities for FY 2026 and FY 2027 are to allocate up to ten percent of appropriated human services funding for the Impact Award; 26 percent for Comprehensive Workforce Development Support; 26 percent for Youth Gun Violence Prevention and Reduction; 26 percent for Supporting, Securing, and Stabilizing Housing for High-Risk Populations; ten percent for Emergency Wrap-Around Services through Project LIFT; and two percent for overhead; **ADVISING** the United Way and any organization assisting the City with evaluating human services funding applications that applications that have previously applied directly to the City for Leveraged Support funding in the categories of Homelessness and Eviction Prevention, Human Services and Violence Prevention, or Workforce Programming and Poverty Reduction, should instead apply for human services funding; and **ADVISING** the United Way and any organization assisting the City with evaluating human services funding applications that future Impact Awards categories will be determined by Council for the first year of each biennial budget.

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5. **ORDINANCE**, submitted by Councilmember Albi, from Emily Smart Woerner, City Solicitor, **ADVISING** the United Way of Greater Cincinnati and any other organization tasked with evaluating applications for the City's human services funding in FY 2026 to include an Impact Award that addresses food insecurity as part of the City's broader gun violence prevention priority.

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## TRANSFERS AND APPROPRIATIONS

6. **ORDINANCE**, submitted by Councilmember Owens, from Emily Smart Woerner, City Solicitor, **AUTHORIZING** the transfer of \$5,000 within the

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General Fund from Councilmember Owens' General Fund personnel operating budget account no. 050x025x7100 to Councilmember Owens' General Fund non-personnel operating budget account no. 050x025x7200 to realign the office budget for Councilmember Owens.

indefinite postponement

- 7. **ORDINANCE (B VERSION)**, submitted by Councilmember Owens, from Emily Smart Woerner, City Solicitor, **AUTHORIZING** the transfer of \$10,000 within the General Fund from Councilmember Owens' General Fund personnel operating budget account no. 050x025x7100 to Councilmember Owens' General Fund non-personnel operating budget account no. 050x025x7200 to realign the office budget for Councilmember Owens.

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