

June 5, 2024

To: Mayor and Members of City Council

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From: Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager

**Subject: Emergency Ordinance – Finance: False Alarm Settlement
Appropriation**

Attached is an Emergency Ordinance captioned:

AUTHORIZING the transfer of \$239,874.85 from the unappropriated surplus of Unclassified Receipts Fund 604 to the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050 to reconcile the False Alarm Settlement resources to the appropriate account; and **AUTHORIZING** the transfer and appropriation of \$239,874.85 from the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050 to non-departmental Judgments Against the City non-personnel operating budget account no. 050x951x7400 to comply with the terms of the judgment in *White v. City of Cincinnati*.

Approval of this Emergency Ordinance authorizes the transfer of \$239,874.85 from the unappropriated surplus of Unclassified Receipts Fund 604 to the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050 to reconcile the False Alarm Settlement resources to the appropriate account. This Emergency Ordinance further authorizes the transfer and appropriation of \$239,874.85 from the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050 to the General Fund non-departmental Judgments Against the City non-personnel operating budget account no. 050x951x7400 to comply with the terms of the judgment in *White v. City of Cincinnati*.

Ordinance No. 0083-2023 authorized the transfer and appropriation of \$3,280,602.25 from the unappropriated surplus of the General Fund to the General Fund non-departmental Judgments Against the City non-personnel operating budget account no. 050x951x7400 to satisfy a legal judgment against the City and pay associated legal fees in *White v. City of Cincinnati*. The City satisfied the judgment terms by issuing appropriate checks to the class of plaintiffs, but several checks were returned to the City and temporarily deposited in the Unclassified Receipts Fund. These resources must be returned to the General Fund Judgments Against the City non-departmental account to comply with the terms of the judgment while the court determines how the returned resources will be disbursed.

The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to comply with the terms of the judgment.

The Administration recommends passage of this Emergency Ordinance.

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

Attachment