

AUTHORIZING the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant of up to \$60,000 from the National Association of County and City Health Officials Regional Emergency Preparedness Program to provide resources for the Cincinnati Health Department and the Metropolitan Sewer District to expand wastewater surveillance of infectious disease transmission in the community; and **AUTHORIZING** the Director of Finance to deposit the grant funds into Public Health Research Fund revenue account no. 350x8571.

WHEREAS, a grant is available from the National Association of County and City Health Officials Regional Emergency Preparedness Program to enable the Cincinnati Health Department (“CHD”) and the Metropolitan Sewer District (“MSD”) to effectively measure community-wide infectious disease transmission and trends through expanded wastewater surveillance, and to provide proactive public health intervention; and

WHEREAS, the grant resources will be used by CHD and MSD to purchase equipment and supplies to facilitate more flexible community-based projects, accelerate the dissemination of results to public health partners, and broaden the spectrum of monitored infectious diseases; and

WHEREAS, this grant does not require matching funds, and no additional FTEs/full time equivalents are associated with this grant; and

WHEREAS, the City already applied for the grant on April 5, 2025, but no grant funds will be accepted without approval by Council; and

WHEREAS, expanding wastewater surveillance of infectious disease transmission in the community is in accordance with the “Sustain” goal to “[b]ecome a healthier Cincinnati” as described on pages 181-191 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 a grant of up to \$60,000 from the National Association of County and City Health Officials Regional Emergency Preparedness Program to provide resources for the Cincinnati Health Department and Metropolitan Sewer District to expand wastewater surveillance of infectious disease transmission in the community.

Section 2. That the Director of Finance is authorized to deposit the grant funds into Public Health Research Fund revenue account no. 350x8571.

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

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

Passed: _____, 2025

Aftab Pureval, Mayor

Attest: _____
Clerk