

June 10, 2026

To: Mayor and Members of City Council

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From: Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager

Subject: Emergency Ordinance – FY 2027 Budget Update: Restricted and Special Revenue Funds Capital Budget

Attached is an Emergency Ordinance captioned:

APPROVING AND ADOPTING a Capital Improvement Program and Budget for FY 2027; **AUTHORIZING** the transfer and appropriation of revenue and existing funds to carry out certain parts of the Capital Improvement Program; **AUTHORIZING** the transfer and appropriation of \$25,190,000 from the unappropriated surplus of Water Works Fund 101 to Water Works Capital Improvement Fund 756, to continue funding for the current Capital Improvement Program, which includes new water mains, water main replacements, treatment plant improvements, system development, tanks, pumping stations, and private development; **AUTHORIZING** the transfer and appropriation of \$20,000,000 from the unappropriated surplus of Water Works Fund 101 to Private Lead Service Line Replacement Fund 312 to continue funding private lead service line replacement activities; **AUTHORIZING** the use and expenditure of \$80,503,000 for Greater Cincinnati Water Works Capital Improvements; **AUTHORIZING** the use and expenditure of \$20,000,000 for Greater Cincinnati Water Works private lead service line replacement activities; and **DECLARING** expenditures from Private Lead Service Line Replacement Fund 312 for private lead service line replacement activities as well as certain project accounts to be for a public purpose, all to carry out the Capital Improvement Program.

This Emergency Ordinance authorizes the funding of Restricted and Special Funds Capital Budget projects in the amount of \$11,211,000 as follows:

1. Telecommunications Services Fund: The Radio Communications Equipment capital project allocation of \$30,000 will primarily provide for the maintenance of radio communications equipment.
2. Special Revenue Funds:
 - a. Municipal Public Improvement Equivalent Fund: The allocation of \$4,500,000 provides resources for the Farmer Music Center.
 - b. Special Housing Permanent Improvement Fund: The allocation of \$4,000,000 provides resources as follows: \$2,450,000 for Affordable Housing Trust Funding – Capital and \$1,550,00 for Neighborhood Development Funding – Housing.

3. Parking System Facilities Capital Fund: \$290,000 from this fund will provide resources for Parking Facility Upgrades.
4. Convention Center Capital Fund: The \$230,000 budget will provide resources for Furniture, Fixtures, and Equipment at the Convention Center.
5. General Aviation Capital Fund: The \$61,000 budget will provide resources for General Aviation Motorized Equipment.
6. Municipal Golf Activities Capital Fund: The \$1,300,000 budget will provide resources for Golf Equipment and Golf Facilities Improvements.
7. Stormwater Management Capital Fund: The \$800,000 budget will provide resources for Stormwater Fleet and Equipment.

This Emergency Ordinance authorizes the transfer and appropriation of \$25,190,000 from the unappropriated surplus of Water Works Fund 101 to Water Works Capital Improvement Fund 756 for the purpose of continuing funding for the current Capital Improvement Program (CIP), which includes new water mains, water main replacements, treatment plant improvements, system development, tanks, pumping stations, and private development. This Emergency Ordinance authorizes the transfer and appropriation of the sum of \$20,000,000 from the unappropriated surplus of Water Works Fund 101 to Private Lead Service Line Replacement Fund 312 to continue funding private lead service line replacement activities. This Emergency Ordinance further authorizes the use and expenditure of \$80,503,000 for Greater Cincinnati Water Works Capital Improvements as well as the use and expenditure of \$20,000,000 for Greater Cincinnati Water Works private lead service line replacement activities.

This Emergency Ordinance also declares that expenditures from Private Lead Service Line Replacement Fund 312 for private lead service line replacement activities as well as the following projects serve a public purpose because the expenditures will foster local improvements and investment and increase neighborhood vitality: Farmer Music Center 40(B); Affordable Housing Trust Funding – Capital SHPIF; and Neighborhood Development Funding – Housing SHPIF.

The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to have funding in place to carry out the City’s FY 2027 Capital Improvement Program, which begins July 1, 2026.

The Administration recommends passage of this Emergency Ordinance.

cc: Andrew Dudas, Budget Director
Steve Webb, Finance Director

Attachments