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MOTION

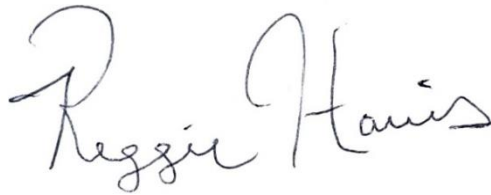
To Allocate Carryover Dollars According to Shared Council Priorities

WE MOVE to accept the following administrative recommendations for FY 2023 carryover allocations as indicated in the chart below:

Fund #	Project Name	Amount
240913	Telephone System Upgrades	\$250,000
240918	Lifecycle Asset Acquisition and Replacement	\$500,000
240930	Uninterruptable Power Supply Systems - GFCO	\$250,000
241040	Solar Panel Battery Backup Resiliency Hub	\$400,000
232533	Public Safety Facility Improvements - GFCO	\$1,000,000
232546	Fire Training Facility/Tower - GF	\$500,000
242540	ARC Flash Hazard Mitigation	\$400,000
242541	City Facility Asbestos Abatement	\$1,000,000
242544	Fleet Replacement – SWAT Truck - GFCO	\$500,000
	Total	\$4,800,000

WE FURTHER MOVE to allocate the remaining FY 2023 carryover funds in alignment with the following priorities put forward from Councilmembers' motions and priorities that support healthy and thriving neighborhoods:

Project Name	Amount
Homebase – CDC “Quickstrike” Acquisition & Project Funding	\$1,000,000
West End Reconciliation – Seven Hills Neighborhood Houses CDC	\$1,000,000
DOTE - Community Pedestrian Safety Projects	\$295,646
Total	\$2,295,646



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STATEMENT

With the submission of each Councilmember’s carryover budget priorities, this motion consolidates the programs and initiatives into one document. This motion represents a significant investment into our neighborhoods, failing equipment vital to our city operations, and the long-term sustainability of the city.

This motion stays true to the Council Waterfall Ordinance that directs carryover dollars be spent on capital-eligible expenses only and encourages one-time expenses. It also considers the delayed impact of the sale of the Cincinnati Southern Railway and when that revenue will become available to the city, likely in FY 2026, and the pressing need for the City Manager’s recommended projects.

As the city enters a period of growth, strategic site control is one of the most important elements to keeping our neighborhoods affordable and responsive to the needs of the community. This Council already allocated dollars to the Port authority to help with this mission in the Mill Creek Corridor, and this strategic investment in Homebase will provide communities with the opportunity to have a say in their growth.

Lastly, this motion will put dollars behind the promise this Council made when it issued a formal apology to the West End. We cannot undo the mistakes of the past, but we are at a moment where we can reconcile some of the destruction that happened by doing right for the residents that currently call it home. These investments in Seven Hills Houses CDC will bring affordable homeownership, site acquisition, and business/storefront support aimed to create vibrancy, safety, and amenities to the community.