

AUTHORIZING the City Manager to apply for a grant in the amount of up to \$5,000,000 from the Highway Safety Improvement Program Formal Safety Application process, administered by the Ohio Department of Transportation, for the purpose of providing financial assistance for the Harrison Avenue Safety Improvement Project to right-size Harrison Avenue from Queen City Avenue to Kling Avenue by reducing vehicle lanes to three and implementing other various safety improvements along the corridor.

WHEREAS, the Department of Transportation and Engineering (“DOTE”) has an opportunity to apply for grant funding in the amount of up to \$5,000,000 from the Highway Safety Improvement Program Formal Safety Application process, administered by the Ohio Department of Transportation, for the purpose of providing financial assistance for the Harrison Avenue Safety Improvement Project to right-size Harrison Avenue from Queen City Avenue to Kling Avenue by reducing vehicle lanes to three and implementing other various safety improvements along the corridor; and

WHEREAS, the grant application deadline was August 31, 2022, and DOTE has already applied for this grant, but grant resources will not be accepted without authorization from Council; and

WHEREAS, if awarded, acceptance of the grant requires a local match in the amount of up to 20 percent, which may be provided by a combination of future General Capital budget allocations to the Department of Transportation and Engineering, Transit Infrastructure Grant resources, and Ohio Public Works Commission grant resources; and

WHEREAS, there are no additional FTEs associated with this grant; and

WHEREAS, the Harrison Avenue Safety Project is in accordance with the “Connect” goal to “[d]evelop an efficient multi-modal transportation system that supports neighborhood livability,” as well as the strategy to “[p]lan, design, and implement a safe and sustainable transportation system,” as described on pages 127-138 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 hereby authorized to apply for a grant in the amount of up to \$5,000,000 from the Highway Safety Improvement Program Formal Safety Application grant, administered by the Ohio Department of Transportation, for the purpose of providing

financial assistance for the Harrison Avenue Safety Improvement Project to right-size Harrison Avenue from Queen City Avenue to Kling Avenue by reducing vehicle lanes to three and implementing other various safety improvements along the corridor.

Section 2. That the appropriate City officials are hereby authorized to do all things necessary to comply with Section 1 herein.

Section 3. That this ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Passed: _____, 2022

Aftab Pureval, Mayor

Attest: _____
Clerk