**AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant of up to \$35,395 from the Ohio Urban Transit Program awarded by the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) to the Streetcar Operations Fund non-personnel operating budget account no. 455x236x7200 to provide funds for preventative maintenance on the streetcar system; and **AUTHORIZING** the Director of Finance to deposit the grant funds into Streetcar Operations Fund 455 revenue account no. 455x8534.

WHEREAS, the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) has been delegated the authority to award state financial assistance for transit projects under the Ohio Urban Transit Program ("UTP"), and the City wishes to apply for available UTP grants and financial assistance; and

WHEREAS, the City is a direct recipient of Federal Transit Administration Section 5307 funds and is eligible to apply for financial assistance for the Connector streetcar project under the Ohio UTP; and

WHEREAS, acceptance of this grant requires no matching funds, and no new permanent FTEs/full time equivalents are associated with acceptance of this grant; and

WHEREAS, the City already applied for the grant and was awarded up to \$35,395 for preventative maintenance on the streetcar system, but no grant funds will be accepted without approval by Council; and

WHEREAS, utilizing Ohio UTP resources to support the Connector streetcar project is in accordance with the "Connect" goal to "[d]evelop an efficient multi-modal transportation system that supports neighborhood livability" as described on page 129 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 \$35,395 from the Ohio Urban Transit Program awarded by the Ohio Department of Transportation ("ODOT") to the Streetcar Operations Fund non-personnel operating budget account no. 455x236x7200 to provide funds for preventative maintenance on the streetcar system.

Section 2. That the City Manager is authorized to execute grant and cooperative agreements with ODOT on behalf of the City.

Section 3. That the Director of Finance is authorized to deposit the grant funds into Streetcar Operations Fund 455 revenue account no. 455x8534.

Section 4. 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 through 3.

Section 5. That this ordinance shall be an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, safety, and general welfare and shall, subject to the terms of Article II, Section 6 of the Charter, be effective immediately. The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to accept and expend grant funds within the current fiscal year.

Passed:		, 2024		
			Aftab Pureval, Mayor	
Attest:				
	Clerk			