

**December 14, 2020**

**To:** Members of the Budget and Finance Committee **202002214**

**From:** Paula Boggs Muething, City Manager

**Subject: Emergency Ordinance – Moral Obligation for Keep Cincinnati Beautiful (KCB)**

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Attached is an Emergency Ordinance captioned:

**AUTHORIZING** the payment of \$639,488.64 from various operating non-personnel accounts as a moral obligation to Keep Cincinnati Beautiful for services provided to the City related to programs promoting litter prevention, recycling efforts, and community improvement efforts.

This Emergency Ordinance would authorize the payment of \$639,488.64 as a moral obligation to Keep Cincinnati Beautiful (KCB). This amount is inclusive of \$453,703.37 that has previously been paid to KCB by the Department of Public Services in FY 2020 and \$185,785.27 that remains unpaid for services rendered in FY 2021.

This Emergency Ordinance is necessary due to a contract extension for the past two years that was not properly executed as part of the agreement between the City of Cincinnati and Keep Cincinnati Beautiful. While all parties had proceeded under the good-faith assumption that the agreement extended in June 2019 was valid, a review of the agreement has revealed issues that necessitate that a new agreement be certified and all amounts paid to KCB from June 30, 2019 until November 30, 2020 be considered a moral obligation. A new contract with KCB is expected to be executed shortly.

The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to pay Keep Cincinnati Beautiful for work performed prior to the anticipated renewal of the contract.

The Administration recommends passage of this Emergency Ordinance.

cc: Christopher A. Bigham, Assistant City Manager  
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