

Date: June 3, 2026

To: President Pro Tem Scotty Johnson, Councilmember Mark Jeffreys, and Councilmembers Anna Albi, Jeff Cramerding, and Meeka Owens

From: Emily Smart Woerner, City Solicitor *EESW*

Subject: **Emergency Ordinance – Amending CMC – Street Takeover**

Transmitted herewith is an emergency ordinance captioned as follows:

MODIFYING the provisions of Title V, “Traffic Code,” of the Cincinnati Municipal Code (“CMC”) by **ORDAINING** new Chapter 519, “Street Racing, Stunt Driving, and Street Takeover”; **MODIFYING** the provisions of Chapter 759, “Use of a Motor Vehicle to Facilitate a Prostitution or Drug Related Crime,” of the CMC by **ORDAINING** new Sections 759-6, “Use of a Motor Vehicle for Street Racing, Stunt Driving, and Street Takeover Prohibited”; 759-6-1, “Impoundment of Motor Vehicles Used to Facilitate Street Racing, Stunt Driving, and Street Takeover”; and 759-6-2, “Answer to Notice; Hearings for Motor Vehicles Impounded for Street Racing, Stunt Driving, and Street Takeover”; and by **AMENDING** Sections 759-1, “Legislative Findings”; 759-5, “Impoundment of Motor Vehicles Used to Facilitate Officer Evasion, Prostitution or Drug Related Crimes”; 759-7, “Answer to Notice; Hearings”; 759-9, “Posting Bond”; 759-11, “Default”; 759-13, “Appeal”; and 759-15, “Sale of Impounded Vehicles”; **MODIFYING** the provisions of Chapter 513, “Impoundment of Motor Vehicles,” of the CMC by **AMENDING** Sections 513-1, “Impoundment of Motor Vehicles,” and 513-11, “Sale of Impounded Vehicles”; and **MODIFYING** the provisions of Title XV, “Code Compliance and Hearings,” of the CMC by **AMENDING** Section 1501-11, “Class E Civil Offenses,” all to make participation in street racing, stunt driving, and street takeover a misdemeanor of the first degree; to make the use of a motor vehicle to facilitate the commission of a crime involving street racing, stunt driving, and street takeover a Class E Civil Offense; and to permit police officers to impound vehicles used in the commission of such offenses.

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Attachment
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