

**June 5, 2024**

**To:** Mayor and Members of City Council

202401519

**From:** Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager

**Subject: Emergency Ordinance – Parks: Park Board Commissioners’  
Fund Monetary Donation**

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Attached is an Emergency Ordinance captioned:

**AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to accept and appropriate a donation of \$1,200,000 from the Cincinnati Park Board Commissioners’ Fund to provide resources for horticultural supplies, maintenance contracts, salary reimbursements, Krohn Conservatory’s gift shop inventory, and other vital costs associated with running the City’s parks; and **AUTHORIZING** the Director of Finance to deposit the funds into Parks Private Endowment and Donations Fund 430.

Approval of this Emergency Ordinance will authorize the City Manager to accept and appropriate a donation totaling \$1,200,000 from the Cincinnati Park Board Commissioners’ Fund for the purpose of providing resources for horticultural supplies, maintenance contracts, salary reimbursements, Krohn Conservatory’s gift shop inventory, and other vital costs associated with running the City’s parks. This Emergency Ordinance would also authorize the Finance Director to deposit the funds into Parks Private Endowment and Donations Fund 430. The Cincinnati Park Board Commissioners’ Fund consists of funds received from endowments and donations from various entities to support the Cincinnati Park Board.

The donation requires no matching funds and no new FTEs/full time equivalents.

Acceptance of this donation is in accordance with the “Sustain” goal to “[p]reserve our natural and built environment” and strategy to “[p]rotect our natural resources” as well as the “Collaborate” goal to “[w]ork in synergy with the Cincinnati community” and strategy to “[u]nite our communities” as described on pages 193-196 and 207-212 of Plan Cincinnati (2012).

The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to complete payment transactions during FY 2024, which ends June 30, 2024.

The Administration recommends passage of this Emergency Ordinance.

cc: Andrew M. Dudas, Budget Director  
Karen Alder, Finance Director

Attachment

