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## **MOTION**

## Zoning and Surface Parking

**WE MOVE** that the Administration work to extend Interim Development Control Overlay District No. 88, "Surface Parking in the Downtown Development District," as an overlay district for a period of six months pursuant to chapter 1431, "Interim Development Control Overlay Districts," of the Cincinnati Municipal Code.

**WE FURTHER MOVE** that the Administration have this extension brought before City Council for final approval by close of business September 20, 2023—before the IDC is currently set to expire.

WE FURTHER MOVE that the Administration prioritize the zoning study of the text amendment that would restrict the development of surface parking lots in the DD Downtown Development district pursuant to the legislation referred to Planning Commission on September 21, 2022. \*The Intent of this Council is for the Ultimate Ordinance to be presented no later than December 31, 2023.

## **STATEMENT**

In September of 2022, legislation was introduced to amend the Downtown Development (DD) zoning district and to study surface parking. On September 15, 2022, City Manager Long directed the Department of City Planning and Engagement to conduct a zoning study of DD zoning district and establish an Interim Development Control (IDC) Overlay District for the duration of the study, which Council approved on September 21, 2022. On November 8, 2022, Council's Equitable Growth and Housing Committee approved a nine-month extension of the IDC and the Department of City Planning and Engagement outlined their proposed process of their evaluation of the text amendment. Their outline contemplated public engagement and study being wrapped up by the end of Spring 2023. The next day, November 9, 2023, Council approved the extension of the IDC by nine months, extending the "freeze" of the development of surface parking until September. After having conversations internally, we believe it would be prudent to extend the IDC by another six months.

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