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MOTION

WE MOVE that the Administration draft an ordinance to establish an Emergency Relief Fund, leveraging American Recovery Plan funding, to support small businesses and nonprofits who require time-sensitive financial assistance due to being sincerely impacted by this pandemic. Council commits to prioritizing groups who, without Council support, are in immediate peril.

The Administration should finalize this Emergency Relief Fund program based on the below, high-level direction from Council.

- Focus of the fund should be on *neighborhood-based small businesses and nonprofits*, including struggling human service agencies, arts groups, and bars and restaurants
- The Administration should partner with organizations that have successfully supported similar relief programs, such as the Greater Cincinnati Regional Chamber of Commerce and ArtsWave
- The fund should also leverage the support of the African American Chamber and Mortar to ensure that both established *and* newer Black and Brown businesses can access funds.

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