



City of Cincinnati

Budget and Finance Committee

Meeting Minutes

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Vice Mayor Jan-Michele Kearney
Councilmember Anna Albi
Councilmember Mark Jeffreys
Councilmember Evan Nolan
Councilmember Meeka Owens
President Pro Tem Victoria Parks
Councilmember Seth Walsh

Monday, November 10, 2025 1:00 PM Council Chambers, Room 300

ROLL CALL

Present: Mark Jeffreys
Anna Albi
Jan-Michele Kearney
Jeff Cramerding
Meeka Owens
Scotty Johnson
Seth Walsh
Evan Nolan

Excused: Victoria Parks

AGENDA

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code 121.22(G)(4)

GRANTS, DONATIONS, AND PROCEEDS

1. ORDINANCE submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 10/29/2025, ESTABLISHING new capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x262322, "Gilbert Ave Safety Phase 1 STBG PID 115756," to provide resources for a two-mile long Complete Street along Gilbert Avenue, beginning at Court Street and ending at Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard, including but not limited to intersection and traffic signal improvements, bus stop improvements, shortened crosswalks, and protected

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bike lanes; AUTHORIZING the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate grant resources of up to \$8,800,000 for a Surface Transportation Block Grant (ALN 20.205) awarded by the Ohio-Kentucky-Indiana Regional Council of Governments to the newly established capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x262322, "Gilbert Ave Safety Phase 1 STBG PID 115756"; AUTHORIZING the Director of Finance to deposit the grant resources into newly established capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x262322, "Gilbert Ave Safety Phase 1 STBG PID 115756"; and AUTHORIZING the City Manager to execute any agreements and do all things necessary for the receipt and administration of these grant resources.

Recommend Passage

2. ORDINANCE submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 11/5/2025, ESTABLISHING new capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x262324, "Lick Run Connector STBG Grant PID 120850", to provide resources for a 2.4 mile bicycle and pedestrian improvement project known as the Lick Run Connector that will begin at the intersection of White Street and Queen City Avenue in the east and the intersection of Rapid Run Road and Glenway Avenue to the west, and also connecting to Dunham Recreation Complex; AUTHORIZING the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate an Ohio-Kentucky-Indiana Regional Council of Governments Regional Council of Governments Surface Transportation Block Grant (ALN 20.205) of up to \$8,800,000 to the newly established capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x262324, "Lick Run Connector STBG Grant PID 120850"; AUTHORIZING the Director of Finance to deposit the grant resources into the newly established capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x262324, "Lick Run Connector STBG Grant PID 120850"; and AUTHORIZING the City Manager to execute any agreements and do all things necessary for the receipt and administration of these grant resources.

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3. ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY) submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 11/5/2025, AUTHORIZING the City Manager and employees of the Cincinnati Recreation

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Commission to solicit and accept monetary and in-kind donations from the Cincinnati business community, individual benefactors, and other appropriate sources to support the Cincinnati Recreation Commission's 2025 Toy Drive and related holiday season programming; and AUTHORIZING the Director of Finance to deposit monetary donations into Contributions for Recreation Purposes Fund 319 revenue account no. 319x8571.

Recommend Passage Emergency

4. ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY) submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 10/29/2025, AUTHORIZING the City Manager to accept and appropriate proceeds of \$3,238,784.59 from the FY 2026 sale of renewable energy certificates ("RECs") as follows: \$647,756.92 to General Fund 050, \$1,198,350.30 to Metropolitan Sewer District of Greater Cincinnati Fund 701, and \$1,392,677.37 to Water Works Fund 101; AUTHORIZING the Director of Finance to deposit the REC proceeds as follows: \$647,756.92 into General Fund revenue account no. 050x8962, \$1,198,350.30 into Metropolitan Sewer District of Greater Cincinnati Fund revenue account no. 701x8962, and \$1,392,677.37 into Water Works Fund revenue account no. 101x8962; and AUTHORIZING the transfer of \$647,756.92 from the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050 to the unappropriated surplus of Revolving Energy Loan Fund 883 so that the resources may be reinvested into other City energy projects.

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TRANSFERS AND APPROPRIATIONS

5. ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY) submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 10/29/2025, ESTABLISHING new capital improvement program project account no. 982x248x262408, "Parking Facility Safety Improvements," to provide resources for safety improvements at City-owned parking garages and lots; AUTHORIZING the transfer and return to source of \$400,000 from the Parking System Facilities Fund balance sheet reserve account no. 102x3443, "Reserve for Parking Structural Maintenance & Repair," to the unappropriated surplus of Parking System Facilities Fund 102; and AUTHORIZING the transfer and

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appropriation of \$400,000 from the unappropriated surplus of Parking System Facilities Fund 102 to the newly established capital improvement program project account no. 982x248x262408, "Parking Facility Safety Improvements."

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PUBLIC PURPOSE

6. ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY) submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 10/29/2025, DECLARING that the City's expenditures from Department of Community and Economic Development General Fund non-personnel operating budget account no. 050x164x7200 for Main Street Small Business Support Programming serve a public purpose because the small business operating support will foster local improvements and investments and increase neighborhood vitality in Over-the-Rhine.

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WATER SERVICE AGREEMENTS

7. ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY) submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 10/29/2025, AUTHORIZING the City Manager to execute a Water Service Agreement between the City of Cincinnati and the City of Fairfield, Ohio, for the continued sale of standby water to the City of Fairfield.

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8. ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY) submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 10/29/2025, AUTHORIZING the City Manager to execute the Seventh Amendment to the Butler County Water Area Contract to extend the term of the current agreement whereby the City of Cincinnati, through its Greater Cincinnati Water Works, provides surplus water to Butler County for wholesale and retail use.

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SOPEC

9. ORDINANCE, submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, AUTHORIZING the City Manager to enter into any agreements necessary to enable the City to join the Southeast Ohio Public Energy Council ("SOPEC") and act

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jointly with other municipalities, townships, counties, and other political subdivisions to maximize the potential benefits of electricity procurement through group purchasing efforts; and APPROVING the SOPEC Plan of Operation and Governance and the Amended and Restated Bylaws Governing SOPEC.

Held

MOTIONS

10. MOTION, submitted by Councilmember Cramerding, WE MOVE that the administration prepare a report within 30 days covering the city's option for energy aggregation through shared electricity procurement. The report should cover the city's current work regarding energy aggregation and how possible partnerships with groups such as SOPEC would affect customers' electricity bills.

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Adopt

LABOR MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT

11. ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY) submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 11/5/2025, AUTHORIZING the City Manager to execute and implement the labor management agreement between the City and Teamsters Local 100, the updated terms of which are reflected in the attached summary.

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CONVENTION DISTRICT COMMUNITY AUTHORITY

12. RESOLUTION (LEGISLATIVE) (EMERGENCY) submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 11/10/2025, AMENDING Resolution No. 61-2025, which determined the petition for the Convention District Community Authority complied with the Ohio Revised Code and fixed the time and place for a hearing to reschedule the hearing for December 1, 2025 so as to better align with Council's calendar.

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ADJOURNMENT