



City of Cincinnati

801 Plum Street
Cincinnati, OH 45202

Agenda

Budget and Finance Committee

Chairperson Jeff Cramerding
Vice Chair Scotty Johnson
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

AGENDA

EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

GRANTS, DONATIONS, AND PROCEEDS

- [202501922](#) **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 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.

Sponsors: City Manager

Attachments: [Transmittal](#)
[Ordinance](#)

- [202501958](#) **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.

Sponsors: City Manager

Attachments: [Transmittal](#)
[Ordinance](#)

3. [202501959](#) **ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY)** submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 11/5/2025, **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager and employees of the Cincinnati Recreation 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.

Sponsors: City Manager

Attachments: [Transmittal](#)
[Ordinance](#)

4. [202501923](#) **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.

Sponsors: City Manager

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 [Ordinance](#)

TRANSFERS AND APPROPRIATIONS

5. [202501921](#) **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 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."

Sponsors: City Manager

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 [Ordinance](#)

PUBLIC PURPOSE

6. [202501924](#) **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.

Sponsors: City Manager

Attachments: [Transmittal](#)
 [Ordinance](#)

WATER SERVICE AGREEMENTS

7. [202501926](#) **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.

Sponsors: City Manager

Attachments: [Transmittal](#)
 [Ordinance](#)
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8. [202501927](#) **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.

Sponsors: City Manager

Attachments: [Transmittal](#)
[Ordinance](#)
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SOPEC

9. [202501777](#) **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 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.

Sponsors: City Manager

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MOTIONS

10. [202501981](#) **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.

Sponsors: Cramerding

Attachments: [Motion](#)

LABOR MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT

11. [202501957](#) **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.

Sponsors: City Manager

Attachments: [Transmittal](#)
 [Ordinance](#)
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CONVENTION DISTRICT COMMUNITY AUTHORITY

12. [202501990](#) **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.

Sponsors: City Manager

Attachments: [Transmittal](#)
 [Ordinance](#)

ADJOURNMENT

October 29, 2025

To: Mayor and Members of City Council

From: Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager

202501922

Subject: Ordinance – DOTE: OKI Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) for Gilbert Avenue Safety Project Phase 1 PID 115756

Attached is an Ordinance captioned:

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 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.

Approval of this Ordinance authorizes the following:

1. The establishment of 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 bike lanes.
2. The City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant of up to \$8,800,000 for a Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) awarded by the Ohio-Kentucky-Indiana (OKI) Regional Council of Governments.
3. 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.”

The Surface Transportation Block Grant requires matching resources of up to \$2,200,000, which is currently available in capital improvement program project

account no. 980x232x242359, “Gilbert Avenue Complete Street” and may also be covered by future grant awards and other capital improvement program project accounts. There are no new FTEs/full time equivalents associated with this grant

Providing resources for a two-mile long Complete Street along Gilbert Avenue beginning at Court Street and ending at Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard is in accordance with the “Connect” goal to “[d]evelop an efficient multi-modal transportation system that supports neighborhood livability” as well as the strategies to “[e]xpand options for non-automotive travel” and “[p]lan, design, and implement a safe and sustainable transportation system,” as described on pages 129-137 of Plan Cincinnati (2012).

The Administration recommends passage of this Ordinance.

cc: Andrew Dudas, Budget Director
Steve Webb, Finance Director

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WHEREAS, grant funding is available from the Ohio-Kentucky-Indiana Regional Council of Governments Surface Transportation Block Grant program 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 bike lanes; and

WHEREAS, the grant requires matching resources of up to \$2,200,000, which is currently available in capital improvement program project account no. 980x232x242359, “Gilbert Avenue Complete Street” and may also be covered by future grant awards and other capital improvement program project accounts; and

WHEREAS, there are no new FTEs/full time equivalents associated with this grant; and

WHEREAS, providing resources for a two-mile long Complete Street along Gilbert Avenue beginning at Court Street and ending at Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard is in accordance with the “Connect” goal to “[d]evelop an efficient multi-modal transportation system that supports neighborhood livability” as well as the strategies to “[e]xpand options for non-automotive travel” and “[p]lan, design, and implement a safe and sustainable transportation system,” as described on pages 129-137 of Plan Cincinnati (2012); now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Cincinnati, State of Ohio:

Section 1. That the Director of Finance is authorized to establish 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 bike lanes.

Section 2. That the City Manager is authorized to apply for, accept, and appropriate grant resources of up to \$8,800,000 for a Surface Transportation Block Grant program (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”.

Section 3. That the Director of Finance is authorized to deposit the grant resources into newly established capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x262322, “Gilbert Ave Safety Phase 1 STBG PID 115756”.

Section 4. That the City Manager is authorized to execute any agreements and do all things necessary for the receipt and administration of these grant resources.

Section 5. That the proper City officials are authorized to do all things necessary and proper to carry out the terms of the grant and Sections 1 through 4.

Section 6. That this ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Passed: _____, 2025

Aftab Pureval, Mayor

Attest: _____

Clerk
4899-4568-5617, v. 4

November 05, 2025

To: Mayor and Members of City Council

From: Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager

202501958

Subject: Ordinance – DOTE: OKI Grant for Lick Run Connector

Attached is an Ordinance captioned:

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.

Approval of this Ordinance authorizes the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate an Ohio-Kentucky-Indiana Regional Council of Governments (OKI) Regional Council of Governments Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) of up to \$8,800,000 to the newly established capital improvement program project account, “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 the Dunham Recreation Complex.

The STBG requires matching resources of up to \$2,200,000, which is anticipated to be covered by future eligible grant awards and other capital allocations. There are no new FTEs/full time equivalents associated with this grant.

Advancing the Lick Run Connector project is in accordance with the “Connect” goal to “[d]evelop an efficient multi-modal transportation system that supports neighborhood livability” as well as the strategies to “[e]xpand options for non-automotive travel” and “[p]lan, design, and implement a safe and sustainable transportation system,” as described on pages 129-137 of Plan Cincinnati (2012).

The Administration recommends passage of this Ordinance.

cc: Andrew Dudas, Budget Director
Steve Webb, Finance Director



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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.

WHEREAS, grant funding is available from the Ohio-Kentucky-Indiana Regional Council of Governments Surface Transportation Block Grant program 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; and

WHEREAS, the scope of work for the Lick Run Connector project includes intersection and traffic signal improvements, crosswalk improvements on Guerley Road, additional sidewalks, the installation of a roundabout at Guerley Road and Rapid Run Road, protected bike lanes, and a shared-use path; and

WHEREAS, the grant requires matching resources of up to \$2,200,000, which is anticipated to be covered by future eligible grant awards and other capital improvement program project accounts; and

WHEREAS, there are no new FTEs/full time equivalents associated with this grant; and

WHEREAS, advancing the Lick Run Connector project to improve bicycle and pedestrian transportation is in accordance with the “Connect” goal to “[d]evelop an efficient multi-modal transportation system that supports neighborhood livability” as well as the strategies to “[e]xpand options for non-automotive travel” and “[p]lan, design, and implement a safe and sustainable transportation system” as described on pages 129-137 of Plan Cincinnati (2012); now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Cincinnati, State of Ohio:

Section 1. That the Director of Finance is authorized to establish 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.

Section 2. That the City Manager is authorized 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”.

Section 3. That the Director of Finance is authorized to deposit the grant resources into newly established capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x262324, “Lick Run Connector STBG Grant PID 120850”.

Section 4. That the City Manager is authorized to execute any agreements necessary for the receipt and administration of these grant resources.

Section 5. That the proper City officials are authorized to do all things necessary and proper to carry out the terms of the grant and Sections 1 through 4.

Section 6. That this ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Passed: _____, 2025

Aftab Pureval, Mayor

Attest: _____
Clerk

November 5, 2025

To: Mayor and Members of City Council

202501959

From: Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager

**Subject: Emergency Ordinance – Cincinnati Recreation Commission (CRC):
Holiday Donations**

Attached is an Emergency Ordinance captioned:

AUTHORIZING the City Manager and employees of the Cincinnati Recreation 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.

Approval of this Emergency Ordinance would authorize the City Manager and employees of the Cincinnati Recreation 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. This Emergency Ordinance also authorizes the Finance Director to deposit the donated resources into Contributions for Recreation Purposes Fund revenue account no. 319x8571.

CRC conducts an annual toy drive to collect monetary and in-kind donations that support holiday season programming for underserved communities. CRC anticipates receiving monetary and in-kind donations valued greater than \$5,000.

There are no new FTEs/full time equivalents or required matching funds associated with the acceptance of these donations.

Soliciting and accepting community support for CRC's holiday programming is in accordance with the "Collaborate" goal to "[w]ork in synergy with the Cincinnati community" as well as the strategy to "[u]nite our communities" as described on pages 209-211 of Plan Cincinnati (2012).

The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to authorize the acceptance of donations in time to support holiday programming and distribution efforts during the upcoming holiday season.

The Administration recommends passage of this Emergency Ordinance.

cc: Andrew Dudas, Budget Director
Steve Webb, Finance Director



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AUTHORIZING the City Manager and employees of the Cincinnati Recreation 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.

WHEREAS, the Cincinnati Recreation Commission ("CRC") conducts an annual toy drive to collect monetary and in-kind donations that support holiday season programming for underserved communities; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 317-2023 authorized the City Manager and CRC employees to accept monetary and in-kind donations from the Cincinnati business community, individual benefactors, and other appropriate sources, valued individually at up to \$5,000, to support CRC programming and services; and

WHEREAS, for CRC's 2025 Toy Drive, CRC anticipates receiving monetary and in-kind donations valued at more than \$5,000, necessitating Council approval to accept such contributions; and

WHEREAS, there are no matching funds and no additional FTEs/full time equivalents associated with the acceptance of these donations; and

WHEREAS, soliciting and accepting community support for CRC's holiday programming is in accordance with the "Collaborate" goal to "[w]ork in synergy with the Cincinnati community" and strategy to "[u]nite our communities" as described on pages 209-211 of Plan Cincinnati (2012); now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Cincinnati, State of Ohio:

Section 1. That the City Manager and employees of the Cincinnati Recreation Commission are authorized 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.

Section 2. That the Director of Finance is authorized to deposit monetary donations into Contributions for Recreation Purposes Fund 319 revenue account no. 319x8571.

Section 3. That the proper City officials are authorized to do all things necessary and proper to carry out the provisions of Sections 1 and 2.

Section 4. That this ordinance shall be an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, safety, and general welfare and shall, subject to the terms of Article II, Section 6 of the Charter, be effective immediately. The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to authorize the acceptance of donations in time to support holiday programming and distribution efforts during the upcoming holiday season.

Passed: _____, 2025

Aftab Pureval, Mayor

Attest: _____
Clerk

October 29, 2025

To: Mayor and Members of City Council

202501923

From: Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager

Subject: Emergency Ordinance – OES: Accept and Appropriate Energy Credits Proceeds

Attached is an Emergency Ordinance captioned:

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.

This Emergency Ordinance authorizes the following:

1. 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;
2. 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
3. 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.

Ordinance No. 0151-2025, passed June 4, 2025, authorized the City Manager to accept and appropriate REC proceeds of up to \$3,500,000 in FY 2025, but the City did not complete the sale of the RECs in FY 2025. The City has now completed the sale of the RECs in FY 2026 for \$3,238,784.59, but no resources will be accepted without approval by the City Council.

Under the power purchase agreement with the New Market Solar Array, the City purchased solar power from the Highland County solar farm as follows: 43 percent by Greater Cincinnati Water Works, 37 percent by the Metropolitan Sewer District, and twenty percent from the General Fund. The General Fund portion of the proceeds will be utilized for other energy projects in the City, which requires a transfer from the unappropriated surplus of the General Fund to the unappropriated surplus of Revolving Energy Loan Fund 883.

Accepting REC proceeds does not require matching resources, and no new FTEs/full time equivalents are associated with acceptance of these resources.

Monetizing and reinvesting REC proceeds to support energy projects and the needs of the utilities is in accordance with the “Sustain” goal to “[m]anage our financial resources” as described on page 199 of Plan Cincinnati (2012).

The Administration recommends passage of this Emergency Ordinance.

cc: Andrew Dudas, Budget Director
Steve Webb, Finance Director

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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.

WHEREAS, the City generates renewable energy certificates (“RECs”) from its power purchase agreement with the New Market Solar Array, a solar farm in Highland County, Ohio that provides the City with solar power; and

WHEREAS, the RECs are a saleable environmental attribute of the generation of renewable energy, and when they are sold the proceeds of their sale are returned to the City; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 301-2018, passed October 3, 2018, established Revolving Energy Loan Fund 883 to receive, disburse, and reinvest resources for permanent energy efficiency improvements at City facilities; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 399-2023, passed November 29, 2023, expanded the scope of Revolving Energy Loan Fund 883 to enable the City to receive, disburse, and reinvest resources, including proceeds from the sale of RECs, for permanent energy efficiency improvements, renewable energy, energy storage, clean vehicles and equipment, and other City projects intended to reduce carbon emissions; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 151-2025, passed June 4, 2025, authorized the City Manager to accept and appropriate REC proceeds of up to \$3,500,000 in FY 2025, but the City did not complete the sale of the RECs in FY 2025;

WHEREAS, the City has now completed the sale of the RECs in FY 2026 for \$3,238,784.59, but no resources will be accepted without approval by Council; and

WHEREAS, under the power purchase agreement with the New Market Solar Array, the City purchased solar power from the Highland County solar farm as follows: 43 percent by Greater Cincinnati Water Works, 37 percent by the Metropolitan Sewer District, and twenty percent from the General Fund; and

WHEREAS, the proceeds of the REC sale will be accepted into the funds that enabled their generation in the same proportion; and

WHEREAS, the General Fund portion of the proceeds will be utilized for other energy projects in the City, which requires a transfer from the unappropriated surplus of the General Fund to the unappropriated surplus of Revolving Energy Loan Fund 883; and

WHEREAS, accepting REC proceeds does not require matching resources, and no new FTEs/full time equivalents are associated with acceptance of these resources; and

WHEREAS, monetizing and reinvesting REC proceeds to support energy projects and the needs of the utilities is in accordance with the “Sustain” goal to “[m]anage our financial resources” as described on page 199 of Plan Cincinnati (2012); now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Cincinnati, State of Ohio:

Section 1. That the City Manager is authorized 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.

Section 2. That the Director of Finance is authorized to deposit the REC proceeds as follows: \$647,756.92 into General Fund 050 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.

Section 3. That the transfer of \$647,756.92 from the unappropriated surplus of the General Fund 050 to the unappropriated surplus of Revolving Energy Loan Fund 883 is authorized so that the resources may be reinvested into other City energy projects.

Section 4. That the proper City officials are authorized to do all things necessary and proper to carry out the terms of Sections 1 through 3.

Section 5. That this ordinance shall be an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, safety, and general welfare and shall, subject to the terms

of Article II, Section 6 of the Charter, be effective immediately. The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to accept and appropriate REC proceeds in FY 2026 so that such resources may be deployed in a timely manner.

Passed: _____, 2025

Aftab Pureval, Mayor

Attest: _____

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4927-5722-2770, v. 5

October 29, 2025

To: Mayor and Members of City Council

From: Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager

202501921

Subject: Emergency Ordinance – Enterprise Services – Parking: Appropriation of Parking System Facilities Fund Reserve

Attached is an Emergency Ordinance captioned:

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 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.”

This Emergency Ordinance establishes 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. This Emergency Ordinance also authorizes 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. This Emergency Ordinance further authorizes the transfer and 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.”

Parking safety is a matter of public concern that directly impacts the welfare of Cincinnati’s residents, businesses, and visitors. Providing resources for safety improvements to update lighting for better visibility, install additional security cameras, replace and maintain elevators, repair and resurface asphalt and concrete surfaces, seal parking decks, and carry out other necessary measures will promote the safety and longevity of City-owned parking facilities.

Completing safety improvements at City-owned parking garages and lots is in accordance with the “Live” goal to “[b]uild a robust public life” as described on pages 149-154 of Plan Cincinnati (2012).

The reason for the emergency is to ensure timely improvements to City-owned parking facilities that safeguard public safety.

The Administration recommends passage of this Emergency Ordinance.

cc: Andrew Dudas, Budget Director
Steve Webb, Finance Director



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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 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.”

WHEREAS, parking safety is a matter of public concern that directly impacts the welfare of Cincinnati’s residents, businesses, and visitors; and

WHEREAS, establishing a new capital improvement program project account and providing resources for safety improvements to update lighting for better visibility, install additional security cameras, replace and maintain elevators, repair and resurface asphalt and concrete surfaces, seal parking decks, and carry out other necessary measures will promote the safety and longevity of City-owned parking facilities; and

WHEREAS, completing safety improvements at City-owned parking garages and lots is in accordance with the “Live” goal to “[b]uild a robust public life” as described on pages 149-154 of Plan Cincinnati (2012); now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Cincinnati, State of Ohio:

Section 1. That Council authorizes the establishment of 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.

Section 2. That Council authorizes 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,” into the unappropriated surplus of Parking System Facilities Fund 102.

Section 3. That Council authorizes the transfer and appropriation \$400,000 from the unappropriated surplus of Parking System Facilities Fund 102 into the newly established capital

improvement program project account no. 982x248x262408, “Parking Facility Safety Improvements.”

Section 4. That the proper City officials are authorized to do all things necessary and proper to carry out the provisions of Sections 1 through 3.

Section 5. That this ordinance shall be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate need to improve parking safety, preservation of public peace, health, safety, and general welfare and shall, subject to the terms of Article II, Section 6 of the Charter, be effective immediately. The reason for the emergency is to ensure timely improvements to City-owned parking facilities that safeguard public safety.

Passed: _____, 2025

Aftab Pureval, Mayor

Attest: _____

Clerk
4901-9546-0211, v. 4

October 29, 2025

To: Mayor and Members of City Council

202501924

From: Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager

**Subject: Emergency Ordinance – DCED: Small Business Support
Programming Public Purpose Declaration**

Attached is an Emergency Ordinance captioned:

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.

On June 18, 2025, the City Council passed Ordinance No. 0222-2025, authorizing the appropriation of \$110,000 for small business support programming. Approval of this Emergency Ordinance would declare expenditures from Department of Community and Economic Development General Fund non-personnel operating budget account no. 050x164x7200 related to Main Street Small Business Support Programming to be for a public purpose.

Supporting small businesses in the Over-the-Rhine neighborhood of Cincinnati is in accordance with the "Compete" goal to "[f]oster a climate conducive to growth, investment, stability, and opportunity" as described on page 103 of Plan Cincinnati (2012).

The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to deploy funding to support small businesses.

The Administration recommends passage of this Emergency Ordinance.

cc: Andrew Dudas, Budget Director
Steve Webb, Finance Director

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DECLARING that the City’s expenditures from Department of Community and Economic Development General Fund non-personnel operating budget account no. 050x164x7200 for the 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.

WHEREAS, on June 18, 2025, Council passed Ordinance No. 222-2025, authorizing the appropriation of \$110,000 for small business support; and

WHEREAS, supporting small businesses in the Over-the-Rhine neighborhood is in accordance with the “Compete” goal to “[f]oster a climate conducive to growth, investment, stability, and opportunity” as described on page 103 of Plan Cincinnati (2012); now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Cincinnati, State of Ohio:

Section 1. That the City’s expenditures from Department of Community and Economic Development General Fund non-personnel operating budget account no. 050x164x7200 for the Main Street Small Business Support Programming are declared to serve a public purpose because the small business operating support will foster local improvements and investment and increase neighborhood vitality in Over-the-Rhine.

Section 2. That the proper City officials are authorized to do all things necessary and proper to carry out the terms of Section 1.

Section 3. That this ordinance shall be an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, safety, and general welfare and shall, subject to the terms of Article II, Section 6 of the Charter, be effective immediately. The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to deploy funding to support small businesses.

Passed: _____, 2025

Aftab Pureval, Mayor

Attest: _____
Clerk

October 29, 2025

To: Mayor and Members of City Council

202501926

From: Sheryl M.M. Long, City Manager

Subject: Emergency Ordinance –Fairfield Water Service

Attached is an Emergency Ordinance captioned:

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.

The City and the City of Fairfield, Ohio (“Fairfield”) are currently parties to a Water Service Agreement (the “Agreement”), dated October 10, 2000, by which the City provides standby surplus water to Fairfield. The Agreement will expire on December 31, 2025. The City and Fairfield desire to enter into a new Water Service Agreement, to provide updated terms for the City’s continued provision of standby surplus water to Fairfield through December 31, 2050.

The Administration recommends passage of this Emergency Ordinance.

cc: Andrea Yang, Interim Executive Director, Greater Cincinnati Water Works



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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.

WHEREAS, the City of Cincinnati (“City”) owns and operates the Greater Cincinnati Water Works, a municipal water utility that supplies water to its inhabitants, and is empowered pursuant to Ohio Constitution Article XVIII, Section 6 and Charter Article IV, Section 9 to sell and deliver surplus water outside of the City limits as may be authorized by Council; and

WHEREAS, the City of Fairfield, Ohio (“Fairfield”) owns and operates the Fairfield Water Works, a municipal water utility that supplies water to its inhabitants and is empowered pursuant to Ohio Constitution Article XVIII, Section 4 to contract to purchase water to be supplied to its inhabitants; and

WHEREAS, the City has provided standby surplus water to Fairfield and currently provides standby surplus water pursuant to a certain Agreement between the parties dated October 10, 2000, which will expire December 31, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the parties desire to enter into a new Water Service Agreement to provide updated terms for the City to continue to provide standby water service to Fairfield; now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Cincinnati, State of Ohio:

Section 1. The City Manager is hereby authorized to execute a Water Service Agreement between the City of Cincinnati (“City”) and the City of Fairfield, Ohio in substantially the form of Attachment A attached hereto (the “Agreement”).

Section 2. That the proper City officials are hereby authorized to do all things necessary and proper to carry out the terms of the Agreement.

Section 3. That this ordinance shall be an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, safety, and general welfare and shall, subject to the terms

of Article II, Section 4. of the Charter, be effective immediately. The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to execute the Agreement prior to the December 31, 2025 expiration of the current water service contract.

Passed: _____, 2025

Aftab Pureval, Mayor

Attest: _____

Clerk
4937-6088-1781, v. 1

WATER SERVICE AGREEMENT
(standby service to City of Fairfield)

This *Water Service Agreement* ("**Agreement**") is made and entered into as of the Effective Date (defined on the signature page hereof) between the CITY OF CINCINNATI, an Ohio municipal corporation, the address of which for the purposes of this Agreement is 4747 Spring Grove Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio, 45232 ("**Cincinnati**") and the CITY OF FAIRFIELD, an Ohio municipal corporation, the address of which is 5350 Pleasant Avenue, Fairfield, Ohio 45014 ("**Fairfield**").

RECITALS

- A. Cincinnati owns and operates the Greater Cincinnati Water Works ("**GCWW**"), a municipal water utility that supplies water to its inhabitants, and is empowered pursuant to Ohio Constitution Article XVIII, Section 6 and Cincinnati City Charter Article IV, Section 9 to sell and deliver surplus water outside of the Cincinnati city limits as may be authorized by Cincinnati City council.
- B. Fairfield owns and operates the Fairfield Water Works, a municipal water utility that supplies water to its inhabitants and is empowered pursuant to Ohio Constitution Article XVIII, Section 4 to contract to purchase water to be supplied to its inhabitants.
- C. GCWW provides standby surplus water to Fairfield pursuant to a certain *Agreement* between the parties dated October 10, 2000, ("**2000 Agreement**"), which will expire on December 31, 2025.
- D. GCWW delivers surplus water to Fairfield through two existing connections located at Kenn-Ross Road (at the Fairfield/Cincinnati city limits) and Winton-South Gilmore Road (at Meijer Drive) (including any subsequently added connections "**Connections**").
- E. The parties desire to enter into this Agreement for Cincinnati to continue to provide standby emergency water service to Fairfield arising from fire, flood, storm, water main break or other malfunction resulting in inadequate water supply or water quality, or a similar condition causing an immediate threat to the life, health, property or normal business of the customers served by the water system experiencing the emergency ("**Emergency**") and to provide the option for temporary non-emergency service on the terms and conditions provided herein.
- F. This Agreement is authorized by Fairfield City Council Ordinance no. _____ dated _____ and Cincinnati City Council Ordinance no. _____ dated _____.

NOW, THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the mutual promises, covenants and agreements contained herein, Cincinnati and Fairfield do hereby agree as follows:

1. **TERM.** The term of this Agreement shall commence on the Effective Date and continue until December 31, 2050. This Agreement may be terminated by either party upon one hundred and eighty (180) days prior written Notice to the other party per Section 5 below. The 2000 Agreement shall terminate as of the Effective Date.

2. **STANDBY WATER SERVICE**

A. Surplus Water. The parties agree that Cincinnati may supply standby water service to Fairfield only when Cincinnati has available surplus water beyond the water service needs of customers within the City of Cincinnati. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, Cincinnati will not provide standby water if it is experiencing an exigency or emergency such as in the case of main breaks, serious damage to reservoirs or pumping equipment, or other emergencies or necessities (in which case the water may be shut off without notice). Fairfield further agrees and understands that since the location of the Connections are not within the corporate limits of Cincinnati, that service to Fairfield, or any other areas on a standby basis, is at all times dependent upon the availability of sufficient water to the Connections.

B. Service from Cincinnati to Fairfield.

- i. Non-Emergency Service. From time to time, Fairfield may request, in writing, standby water service on a temporary basis. Cincinnati may approve, in writing, standby water service provided that GCWW has available surplus water per Section 2(A) above. If approved, Cincinnati will use reasonable efforts to furnish standby water service to Fairfield through the Connections.
- ii. Emergency. From time to time, Fairfield may request standby water service during an Emergency, provided that GCWW has available surplus water per Section 2(A). Fairfield shall obtain prior verbal approval from GCWW Distribution Dispatch at (513) 591-7700 (which is available 24 hours a day) to access Emergency standby water. Within 24 hours after GCWW's verbal approval, Fairfield shall provide written Notice, per Section 5 below to the GCWW Director of the reason for and extent of use of Emergency standby water. Fairfield understands and agrees that inadequate water supply due to inadequate facilities and/or high seasonal demand shall not be considered an emergency.
- iii. Exclusivity. When Fairfield is using GCWW's standby water service, Fairfield shall not resell GCWW's standby water service to other third-party water utilities. Cincinnati is providing Fairfield with standby water service for Fairfield's inhabitants and business customers located in or doing business in Fairfield.

- C. No Priority; Guarantee. Cincinnati shall have the right to prioritize water service to the residents of the City of Cincinnati over all other customers. Cincinnati shall have sole discretion to adjust the prioritization and allocation of water service among non-Cincinnati customers. Cincinnati does not guarantee the ability to furnish water or minimum pressure to Fairfield.
- D. Connections. Cincinnati shall own and be responsible for maintaining and replacing the master meter at the Connections. Fairfield shall own and be responsible for the maintenance, repair, operation, replacement, and testing of the meter pit and Connections, including the pressure regulator valves, surge valve, backflow preventer, gate valves, piping and other related appurtenances. Fairfield shall not operate the Connection unless it receives the required approvals from Cincinnati under Section 2(B). Fairfield may add or upgrade the Connections at its own cost and in accordance with plans approved by Cincinnati. Upon termination or expiration of this Agreement, Fairfield shall remove and plug the Connections subject to the inspection and approval of GCWW. Any and all work performed by Fairfield pursuant to this Agreement shall conform in all respects to the GCWW's Rules and Regulations and standards and will be subject to GCWW inspection and approval.

3. **COMPENSATION.**

- A. Fairfield shall pay for standby water used for Emergency and non-emergency purposes at rates fixed from time to time by ordinance of the Council of Cincinnati for water used by political subdivisions (currently Cincinnati Municipal Code 401-81). The "Political Subdivision Rates" for 2025 and 2026 are:

Period	2025	2026
Jan 1 -- Apr 30, Nov 1 -- Dec 31,	\$3.84/ccf	\$4.06/ccf
May 1 -- Oct 31,	\$4.58/ccf	\$4.83/ccf

- B. Payment. Cincinnati will send Fairfield a bill for the water furnished to Fairfield. Fairfield shall pay all bills within 30 days of the date on the water service bill. Fairfield agrees that its payments are only for the purchase of water and water service. Nothing in this Agreement will be interpreted to be for the purchase of any portion of GCWW or other Cincinnati-owned property used in providing water and/or water service.

4. **EXCLUSIONS OF DAMAGES; LIMITATIONS OF LIABILITY.** Except with respect to (i) a breach or inaccuracy of any representations or warranties hereunder, (ii) a breach of obligations to follow applicable laws and regulations; or (iii) a party's gross negligence, willful misconduct or fraud, neither party shall be liable for any damages. Notwithstanding the foregoing: (x) neither party shall be liable, for any indirect, incidental, special or consequential damages suffered by the other party hereto as a result of any breach of this agreement, even if the other party has been advised of the possibility of such damages, and (y) nothing in this Agreement shall be construed to make Cincinnati in any way responsible for the Fairfield Water Works, including but

not limited to its improvement, maintenance, repair or the quality of the water beyond the connection, and (z) Cincinnati shall not have any liability for damages regarding supply of water or minimum pressure.

5. **NOTICES**

All notices required under this Agreement shall be personally served or sent by first class U.S. mail, postage prepaid, addressed to the parties as follows, or to such other addresses as a party may designate in writing for such purpose:

To Cincinnati:

City of Cincinnati
Greater Cincinnati Water Works
Attention: Director's Office
4747 Spring Grove Ave
Cincinnati, Ohio 45232

To Fairfield:

City of Fairfield
Attn: Water Works
5350 Pleasant Ave.
Fairfield, Ohio 45014

However, if Fairfield sends a notice to Cincinnati alleging that it is in default under this Agreement it shall simultaneously send a copy of such notice by U.S. certified mail to: City Solicitor, City of Cincinnati, 801 Plum Street, Room 214, and Cincinnati, OH 45202.

6. **GENERAL PROVISIONS**

- A. No Third Party Rights. Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed to give any rights or benefits to anyone other than Cincinnati or Fairfield.
- B. Waiver. This Agreement shall be construed in a manner that a waiver of any breach of any provision of this Agreement shall not constitute or operate as a waiver of any other breach of such provision or of any other provisions, nor shall any failure to enforce any provision hereof operate as a waiver of such provision or of any other provision.
- C. Entirety; Conflict. This Agreement contains the entire contract between the parties as to the matters contained herein. Any oral representations or modifications concerning this Agreement shall be of no force and effect.
- D. Severability. In the event that any provision of this Agreement is declared to be unlawful, invalid, or unconstitutional, such declaration shall not affect, in any manner, the legality of

the remaining provisions. Each provision of this Agreement will be and is deemed to be separate and separable from each other provision.

- E. Choice of Law; Joint Preparation. This Agreement is entered into and is to be performed in the State of Ohio. Cincinnati and Fairfield agree that the laws of the State of Ohio shall govern the rights, obligations, duties and liabilities of the parties under and related to this Agreement and shall govern the interpretation of this Agreement without regard to choice of law and conflicts of law principles. This Agreement has been jointly prepared by the parties hereto and shall not be construed more strictly against either party.
- F. Forum Selection. The parties, their successors and assigns acknowledge and agree that all state courts of record sitting in Hamilton County, Ohio, shall be the exclusive forum for the filing, initiation, and prosecution of any suit or proceeding arising from or out of, or relating to, this Agreement, or any amendment or attachment thereto, including any duty owed by Cincinnati to Fairfield in connection therewith. However, in the event that any claim arising from, related to, or in connection with this Agreement must be litigated in federal court, the parties agree that the exclusive venue for such lawsuit shall be in the United States District Court or United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of Ohio.
- G. Electronic, Counterpart and PDF Signatures. This Agreement may be executed in counterparts, and an electronic, facsimile or PDF signature shall be deemed to be, and shall have the same force and effect as, an original signature.
- H. Official Capacity. None of those representations, warranties, covenants, agreements or obligations shall be deemed to be a representation, warranty, covenant, agreement or obligation of any present or future officer, agent, employee or attorney of Cincinnati in other than his or her official capacity.
- I. Amendment. This Agreement may be modified or amended only by a written instrument duly executed by the parties hereto.

[SIGNATURE PAGES FOLLOW]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Agreement on the dates reflected below, effective as of the later of such dates ("**Effective Date**").

CITY OF FAIRFIELD

By: _____
Scott W. Timmer, City Manager

Date: _____

APPROVED AS TO FORM BY:

City Law Director

[CITY OF CINCINNATI SIGNATURE PAGES FOLLOW]

CITY OF CINCINNATI

APPROVED BY DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC
INCLUSION:

By: _____
Sheryl M.M. Long, City Manager

Lydgia Sartor, Interim Director

Date: _____, 2025

RECOMMENDED BY:

CITY PURCHASING APPROVAL:

Andrea Yang, Interim Executive Director
Greater Cincinnati Water Works

Laura Castillo, Interim Chief Procurement Officer

APPROVED AS TO FORM BY:

CERTIFICATION OF FUNDS:

Assistant City Solicitor

Date: _____

Funding: _____

Amount: _____

Steve Webb, Finance Director

October 29, 2025

To: Mayor and Members of City Council

202501926

From: Sheryl M.M. Long, City Manager

Subject: Emergency Ordinance –Butler County Water Area

Attached is an Emergency Ordinance captioned:

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.

The City and the Board of County Commissioners of Butler County are currently parties to a Water Area Contract (the “Contract”) dated November 21, 1989, and as amended by a First Amendment dated December 12, 1991, a Second Amendment dated May 26, 1992, a Third Amendment dated December 30, 1993, a Fourth Amendment dated December 12, 1994, a Fifth Amendment dated April 6, 1998, and a Sixth Amendment dated July 12, 2004, for provision of surplus water within portions of Butler County defined as the Retail Water Area and the Wholesale Water Area. The Contract as amended will expire on December 31, 2025. The parties desire to extend the term of the Contract to December 31, 2026, whereby the City will continue to provide surplus water to portions of Butler County as identified in the Contract as amended.

The Administration recommends passage of this Emergency Ordinance.

cc: Andrea Yang, Interim Executive Director, Greater Cincinnati Water Works

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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.

WHEREAS, the City of Cincinnati (the “City”) and the Board of County Commissioners of Butler County (“County Commissioners”) entered into a Butler County Water Area Contract dated November 21, 1989, providing for the City to supply surplus water within portions of Butler County defined in that agreement as the retail water area and the wholesale water area; and

WHEREAS, the City and the County Commissioners entered into the First Amendment to the Butler County Water Area Contract on December 12, 1991, adding an additional area adjoining Fields-Ertel Road and Butler County to the Retail Water Area; and

WHEREAS, the City and the County Commissioners entered into the Second Amendment to the Butler County Water Area Contract on May 26, 1992, adding an additional wholesale service area adjoining Gano Road and Cincinnati-Dayton Road in Butler County; and

WHEREAS, the City and the County Commissioners entered into the Third Amendment to the Butler County Water Area Contract on December 30, 1993, that revised the billing rates applicable to the Retail and Wholesale Water Service Areas in Butler County; and

WHEREAS, the City and the County Commissioners entered into the Fourth Amendment to the Butler County Water Area Contract on December 12, 1994, adding an additional retail water service area for customers west of the Great Miami River adjacent to the Greater Cincinnati Water Works Bolton Plant; and

WHEREAS, the City and the County Commissioners entered into the Fifth Amendment to the Butler County Water Area Contract on April 6, 1998, adding a new retail service area in the Venice Gardens area of Ross Township to provide public water service; and

WHEREAS, the City and the County Commissioners entered into the Sixth Amendment to the Butler County Water Area Contract on July 12, 2004, expanding the capacity and volume of emergency backup and wholesale water supply, adjusting the rate, and extending the term of the contract until December 31, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the City and the County Commissioners desire to extend the term of their agreement to continue the City’s sale of surplus water to Butler County for wholesale and retail service to December 31, 2025; now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Cincinnati, State of Ohio:

Section 1. The City Manager is hereby authorized to execute this Seventh Amendment to the Butler County Water Area Contract, substantially in the form of Attachment A attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference (the Amendment”).

Section 2. That the proper City officials are hereby authorized to do all things necessary and proper to carry out the terms of the Amendment.

Section 3. That this ordinance shall be an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, safety, and general welfare and shall, subject to the terms of Article II, Section 4 of the Charter, be effective immediately. The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to execute the Amendment prior to the December 31, 2025 expiration of the current water service contract.

Passed: _____, 2025

Aftab Pureval, Mayor

Attest: _____

Clerk
4934-8602-3797, v. 1

CONTRACT NO. _____

**SEVENTH AMENDMENT TO
BUTLER COUNTY WATER AREA CONTRACT**

This **SEVENTH AMENDMENT** is made by and between the CITY OF CINCINNATI, an Ohio municipal corporation through its Greater Cincinnati Water Works (GCWW), with offices located at 4747 Spring Grove Avenue, Cincinnati, OH 45232 ("**Cincinnati**") and the BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS of Butler County, Ohio, with a principal office located 315 High Street, Hamilton OH 45011 ("**County Commissioners**"), acting pursuant to Chapters 307 and 6103 of Ohio Revised Code.

RECITALS

WHEREAS, Cincinnati and the County Commissioners entered into a Butler County Water Area Contract dated November 21, 1989, whereby GCWW supplied retail, wholesale and standby emergency surplus water service within portions of Butler County; and

WHEREAS, Cincinnati and the County Commissioners entered into the First Amendment to the Butler County Water Area Contract on December 12, 1991, adding an additional area adjoining Fields-Ertel Road and Butler County to the Retail Water Area; and

WHEREAS, Cincinnati and the County Commissioners entered into the Second Amendment to the Butler County Water Area Contract on May 26, 1992, adding an additional wholesale service area adjoining Gano Road and Cincinnati-Dayton Road in Butler County; and

WHEREAS, Cincinnati and the County Commissioners entered into the Third Amendment to the Butler County Water Area Contract on December 30, 1993, that revised the billing rates applicable to the Retail and Wholesale Water Service Areas in Butler County; and

WHEREAS, Cincinnati and the County Commissioners entered into the Fourth Amendment to the Butler County Water Area Contract on December 12, 1994, adding an additional retail water service area for customers west of the Great Miami River adjacent to the GCWW Bolton Plant; and

WHEREAS, Cincinnati and the County Commissioners entered into the Fifth Amendment to the Butler County Water Area Contract on April 6, 1998, adding a new retail service area in the Venice Gardens area of Ross Township to provide public water service; and

WHEREAS, Cincinnati and the County Commissioners entered into the Sixth Amendment to the Butler County Water Area Contract on July 12, 2004, expanding the capacity and volume of emergency backup and wholesale water supply, adjusting the rate, and extending the term of the contract until December 31, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the County Commissioners and Cincinnati now desire to extend the term until December 31, 2026; and

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants herein contained, the parties agree to amend the Butler County Water Area Contract in the following respects, and in these respects only. All other terms and conditions as previously written shall remain in full force and effect.

1. **Term.** Section 5, General, subsection (d), Term of Contract, as previously amended in the Sixth Amendment, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

d) Term of Contract. This contract shall be in force until December 31, 2026. All contracts, supplementary hereto or in extension hereof shall terminate on or before said date.

2. **Exhibit B.** Exhibit B, Semi Annual "Take or Pay" Provisions and Maximum Daily Usage Provisions, to the Sixth Amendment is hereby amended to add the following:

<u>Date Begin</u>	<u>Date End</u>	<u>Daily Average</u>	<u>Semi Annual</u>	<u>Maximum</u>
		<u>Take or Pay</u> <u>Minimum</u>	<u>Take or Pay</u> <u>Minimum</u>	<u>Daily Usage</u>
1/1/2026	12/31/2026	6MGD	1098MG	15MGD

3. **Ratification.** All terms of the Agreement and all amendments not amended hereby or not inconsistent herewith shall remain in full force and effect and by this reference are incorporated herein as if fully rewritten herein, and the Agreement, as amended hereby, is hereby ratified by the parties.

4. **Electronic Signatures.** This Seventh Amendment may be executed in counterparts, and the parties shall have the right to transmit signature pages to each other electronically in lieu of exchanging original pages. Electronic signatures shall be considered to be of the same effect as an original signature.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Seventh Amendment on the dates reflected below, effective as of the later of such dates ("**Seventh Amendment Effective Date**").

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF
BUTLER COUNTY:**

By: _____
Donald L. Dixon
President

Date: _____, 2025

By: _____
T.C. Rogers
Vice President

By: _____
Cindy Carpenter
Commissioner

[City Signature Page Follows]

CITY OF CINCINNATI

**APPROVED BY DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC
INCLUSION:**

By: _____
Sheryl M.M. Long, City Manager

Lydgia Sartor, Interim Director

Date: _____, 2025

RECOMMENDED BY:

CITY PURCHASING APPROVAL:

Andrea Yang, Interim Executive Director
Greater Cincinnati Water Works

Laura Castillo, Interim Chief Procurement Officer

APPROVED AS TO FORM BY:

CERTIFICATION OF FUNDS:

Assistant City Solicitor

Date: _____
Funding: _____
Funding: _____
Amount: _____

Steve Webb, Finance Director

September 24, 2025

To: Mayor and Members of the City Council

From: Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager

202501777

Subject: Ordinance – SOPEC Membership

Attached is an Emergency Ordinance captioned:

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 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.

WHEREAS, on September 4, 2025, Council passed Ordinance No. 271-2025 authorizing the scheduling of two public hearings pursuant to Ohio Revised Code 4928.20 to consider the Plan of Operation and Governance (the "Plan") for the Electric Service Aggregation Program sponsored by the Southeast Ohio Public Energy Council ("SOPEC"); and

WHEREAS, the two public hearings were conducted, and Council has reviewed the Plan and the SOPEC Bylaws; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 270-2011, passed August 3, 2011, authorizes the City Manager to exercise the authority granted by voters jointly with other political subdivisions of the State of Ohio and to execute and deliver any necessary agreements with such other political subdivisions to establish an Electric Service Aggregation Program; and

WHEREAS, Council finds it is in the best interest of the City and its residents to join the SOPEC and to authorize the City Manager to participate in the SOPEC aggregation program when it is advantageous to the City and its residents; now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Cincinnati, State of Ohio:

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Section 2. That the Plan of Operation and Governance (the "Plan") for the Electric Service Aggregation Program sponsored by the SOPEC is approved.

Section 3. That the Amended and Restated Bylaws Governing the SOPEC (DBA Sustainable Ohio Public Energy Council) are adopted and approved.

Section 4. That the proper City officials are authorized to do all things necessary and proper to carry out the terms of Sections 1 through 3.

Section 5. That this ordinance shall be an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, safety, and general welfare and shall, subject to the terms of Article II, Section 6, of the Charter, be effective immediately.

Joining SOPEC supports the 2023 Green Cincinnati Plan is in accordance with the “Sustain” goal to “[b]ecome a healthier Cincinnati” and strategy to “[c]reate a healthy environment and reduce energy consumption” as described on pages 181-186 of Plan Cincinnati (2012). The reason for the emergency is the immediate need for the City to achieve greater savings for the City's electric customers as soon as possible. The Administration recommends passage of this Emergency Ordinance.

cc: Oliver Kroner, Director, Office of Environment and Sustainability
John S. Brazina, Interim Assistant City Manager

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Passed: _____, 2025

Aftab Pureval, Mayor

Attest: _____
Clerk

ATTACHMENT A

AMENDED AND RESTATED AGREEMENT
ESTABLISHING THE
SOUTHEAST OHIO PUBLIC ENERGY COUNCIL
(DBA SUSTAINABLE OHIO PUBLIC ENERGY COUNCIL)

This AMENDED AND RESTATED AGREEMENT is made and entered into as of October 8, 2014, as amended and restated as of July 20, 2023 ("Agreement"), by and among the political subdivisions identified below.

RECITALS:

WHEREAS, Ohio Revised Code Chapter 167 provides that the governing bodies of two or more political subdivisions may enter into an agreement establishing a regional council of governments for purposes that include promoting cooperative agreements and contracts among members and other governmental agencies and private persons, corporations, or agencies.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the services to be made available to and by the Southeast Ohio Public Energy Council (DBA Sustainable Ohio Public Energy Council), also referred to herein as "SOPEC," it is agreed by and between the Members of SOPEC and any additional political subdivisions that may hereafter become Members as follows:

Section 1. Definitions.

Definitions of terms used in this Agreement and Amended and Restated Bylaws ("Bylaws") are set forth on Exhibit A hereto.

Section 2. Name.

The name of the council of regional governments that comprises all Members shall be the "Southeast Ohio Public Energy Council," which also may do business under one or more trade names, including the Sustainable Ohio Public Energy Council.

Section 3. Members.

Members of SOPEC shall be set forth on Exhibit B hereto, and shall include any other political subdivisions which become members of SOPEC pursuant to Bylaws established pursuant to Section 6 of this Agreement. Each Member shall have one representative to the Assembly, as further set forth in the Bylaws.

Section 4. Purpose: The Aggregation Programs; Additional Programs of the Council.

The purpose of this Agreement is to allow Members to collectively pursue the benefits of the Aggregation Programs and Additional Programs of the Council that the Council may establish. The Council may negotiate and enter into all necessary programs, contracts and take any necessary and incidental actions to effect and carry out the purposes of the Aggregation Programs for the benefit of the Members and their respective electricity and natural gas consumers. The Members will act jointly through the Council to establish and implement the Aggregation Programs and the Board of Directors may establish Additional Programs of the Council, as set forth in the Bylaws.

Section 5. Fiscal Year.

The fiscal year for SOPEC shall be the twelve month period beginning January 1 and ending December 31.

Section 6. Adoption of Bylaws.

Within ninety (90) days of adoption of this Agreement, Members shall meet for the purpose of adopting Bylaws of SOPEC. The Bylaws shall address the purposes of SOPEC, its governance, addition and withdrawal of members, adding new programs, and other governance issues including SOPEC's decision-making process and the designation of its fiscal agent.

Section 7. Withdrawal and Inclusion of Members.

All issues pertaining to the withdrawal of existing Members or inclusion of new Members shall be governed by the Bylaws.

Section 8. Amendments.

This Agreement may be amended subject to the majority vote of the signatory Members to the Agreement, until the adoption of Bylaws pursuant to Section 6 of this Agreement, at which time all amendments to this Agreement will be subject to the provisions set forth in the Bylaws.

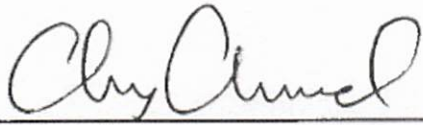
Section 9. Term and Termination.

It is the intention of the Members that this Agreement shall continue for an indefinite term, but may be terminated subject to the provisions set forth in the Bylaws.

Section 10. Effective Date.

This Agreement shall take effect initially this 8th day of October, 2014, as amended and restated effective July 20, 2023. This Agreement, as amended, may be signed in separate counterparts on behalf of one, or more than one, of the Members, and may be signed

electronically, without the necessity for any one counterpart to be signed on behalf of all Members.



The Honorable Chris Chmiel,
Athens County Commissioner
Chairman of the Board of Directors



The Honorable Steve Patterson
Mayor of Athens
Vice Chair of the Board of Directors

EXHIBIT A

As used in this Agreement and in the Bylaws the following words shall have the following meanings:

“Additional Program” means any other cooperative program the Council may establish, with approval of the Council’s Board of Directors, under an Additional Program Agreement.

“Additional Program Agreement” means any agreement among some or all Members, and such non-members as may be permitted to participate, establishing an Additional Program in accordance with Section 9 of the Bylaws.

“Additional Program Costs” means, with respect to any Additional Program of the Council, all costs incurred by the Council or the Fiscal Agent of the Council, in connection with the activities and operations of that Additional Program, as defined in the corresponding Additional Program Agreement; provided, however, that no Member shall be assessed Additional Program Costs if the Member is not participating in such Additional Program.

“Advisory Committee” means any committee established by the Board of Directors pursuant to the Bylaws to advise the Board of Directors or the Fiscal Agent with respect to the management and operation of any Program. The Board of Directors shall define the duties of each Advisory Committee.

“Aggregation Costs” means all costs incurred by the Council or by the Fiscal Agent in connection with the activities and operation of the Council for the Aggregation Programs; provided, however, that no Member shall be assessed Aggregation Costs unless such assessment is imposed on all Members and unanimously approved by all impacted Members at a meeting of the Assembly.

“Aggregation Fund” means the fund established and maintained by the Fiscal Agent of the Council as a separate fund pursuant to Section 10 of the Bylaws, into which the Fiscal Agent shall deposit any and all moneys contributed by the Members for Aggregation Costs of the Council, if any.

“Aggregation Programs” means the cooperative programs for the benefit of the Members acting as governmental aggregators to arrange for the purchase of electricity by electric customers and natural gas by natural gas customers in the political subdivisions that join the Southeast Ohio Public Energy Council (DBA Sustainable Ohio Public Energy Council), pursuant to the terms of Ohio Revised Code Sections 4928.20 and 4929.26, and this Agreement.

“Agreement” means this agreement, as the same may be amended, modified, or supplemented in accordance with Section 8 hereof.

“Assembly” means the legislative body of the Council established pursuant to, and having those powers and duties enumerated in, the Bylaws.

“Bylaws” means the regulations adopted by the Council pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 167.04 and this Agreement, as the same may be amended, modified, or supplemented in accordance with Section 13 thereof.

“Council” means the Southeast Ohio Public Energy Council (DBA Sustainable Ohio Public Energy Council) established by this Agreement.

“Fiscal Agent” means the person or organization designated by the Members of the Council to receive, deposit, invest, and disburse funds contributed by the Members or otherwise received by the Council, for the operation of the Council and its Programs, in accordance with this Agreement, the Bylaws and any applicable Program Agreement. The Council may serve as its own Fiscal Agent.

“Fiscal Year” means the twelve (12) month period beginning January 1 and ending December 31.

“Member” means any municipal corporation, county, township, or any other political subdivision under the laws of the State of Ohio which pursuant to duly adopted legislation, has caused this Agreement to be executed in its name, which Member shall be listed on Exhibit B hereof, including any additional municipal corporation, county, township, or any other political subdivision under the laws of the state of Ohio which has caused this Agreement to be executed in accordance therewith, and has not withdrawn from the Council pursuant to this Agreement or the Bylaws.

“Program” means an Aggregation Program or any Additional Program.

EXHIBIT B

Current List of SOPEC Member Communities & Political Subdivisions

Athens County

Athens County

City of Athens

Village of Albany

Village of Amesville

Village of Buchtel

Village of Chauncey

Village of Jacksonville

Village of Trimble

Columbiana County

Unity Township

Cuyahoga County

City of Cleveland

Franklin County

Blendon Township

City of Gahanna

City of Upper Arlington

Village of Marble Cliff

Gallia County

City of Gallipolis

Village of Rio Grande

Greene County

Village of Yellow Springs

Hocking County

City of Logan

Lucas County

Village of Whitehouse

Meigs County

Village of Racine

Montgomery County

City of Dayton

City of Huber Heights

City of Riverside

Morgan County

Village of Chesterhill

Village of McConnelsville

Muskingum County

Village of New Concord

Village of Norwich

Perry County

Village of Glenford

Village of Hemlock

Village of New Straitsville

Village of Shawnee

Village of Somerset

Pike County

Village of Piketon

Washington County

City of Belpre

Village of Lowell

Political Subdivisions

Athens-Hocking Solid Waste District

Dayton Metro Library

Five Rivers MetroParks

Hocking Conservancy District

MetroParks of Butler County

Muskingum Watershed Conservancy District

Syracuse Racine Regional Sewer District

NEW MEMBER ATTACHMENT FOR AGREEMENT ESTABLISHING
THE SOUTHEAST OHIO PUBLIC ENERGY COUNCIL
(DBA SUSTAINABLE OHIO PUBLIC ENERGY COUNCIL) ("SOPEC")

Approved by the City Manager,

this ____ day of _____, 2025

Sheryl M. M. Long
City Manager, City of Cincinnati



Jeff Cramerding
Councilmember

11/10/2025

WE MOVE that the administration prepare a report within 30 days covering the city's options 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.

JEFF CRAMERDING

November 5, 2025

To: Mayor and Members of City Council

202501957

From: Sheryl M.M. Long, City Manager

**Subject: Emergency Ordinance: Implementation of the Teamsters Local 100
Labor Management Agreement**

Attached is an Emergency Ordinance captioned:

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.

This agreement provides the employees with a 5.0% wage increase (effective October 12, 2025), a 4.0% wage increase (effective October 11, 2026), and a 3.0% wage increase (effective October 10, 2027). Additionally, this agreement authorizes a \$750 lump sum payment in Years 1 and 2 of the contract. The agreement incorporates gains to the City's management rights and ensures parity with similar bargaining units. A summary of the agreement is attached hereto.

The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to enter into the labor management agreement.

The Administration recommends passage of this Emergency Ordinance.

cc: Latisha Hazell, Human Resources Director

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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.

WHEREAS, the current labor management agreement (“Agreement”) between the City and Teamsters Local 100 expired on October 12, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the City and Teamsters Local 100, through their respective negotiating teams, have reached tentative agreement on the terms of a successor Agreement, the updated terms of which are reflected in the attached summary; and

WHEREAS, the tentative Agreement has a duration of three years, beginning on October 12, 2025, and expiring on October 14, 2028; and

WHEREAS, all employees in the Teamsters Local 100 bargaining unit will receive a five percent increase to their base wage effective October 12, 2025, and a lump sum payment of \$750; a four percent increase to their base wage effective October 11, 2026, and a lump sum payment of \$750; and a three percent increase to their base wage effective October 10, 2027; and

WHEREAS, the City gained management rights to dismiss employees who have abandoned their job and the removal of a contract provision regarding the filling of vacancies, allowing more flexibility in staffing; and

WHEREAS, the terms and conditions of the successor Agreement as agreed to by the parties represent fair and equitable gains for both parties; now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Cincinnati, State of Ohio:

Section 1. That the City Manager is authorized 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.

Section 2. That the proper City officials are authorized to do all things necessary and proper to carry out the terms of Section 1.

Section 3. That this ordinance shall be an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, safety, and general welfare and shall, subject to the terms

of Article II, Section 6 of the Charter, be effective immediately. The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to implement a successor labor management agreement between the City and Teamsters Local 100 to replace the agreement which expired on October 12, 2025.

Passed: _____, 2025

Aftab Pureval, Mayor

Attest: _____
Clerk

Summary of Tentative Agreement with Teamsters Local 100

Article 5: Probationary Employees

- Removed language requiring the City to furnish a list of employees within 14 calendar days of any new employee starting.

Article 6: Seniority

- Removed language requiring the City to furnish a seniority list when any seniority changes occur.

Article 9: Corrective Action

- Removed references to resources that are no longer being used.
- Added language allowing the City to terminate employees who have abandoned their job without the need for an administrative hearing.

Article 10: Grievances

- Added language allowing the City and Union to use a third-party mediator in lieu of going straight to Arbitration.
 - Included cost sharing between the City and Union.

Article 12: Fitness for Duty Examinations

- Removed language regarding Identification Fees that were no longer being used.

Article 18: Wages and General Wage Increases

- 5% effective in the first year of the contract (October 12, 2025) and a \$750 lump sum payment to be paid in Pay Period 25.
- 4% effective in the second year of the contract (October 11, 2026) and a \$750 lump sum payment to be paid in Pay Period 25.
- 3% effective in the third year of the contract (October 10, 2027).

Article 23: Leave Without Pay

- Increased unpaid leave amount for tenured employees as follows:
 - More than 5 less than 7 years: 140hrs/yr (up from 112)
 - More than 7 less than 10 years: 161hrs/yr (up from 126)

- More than 10 years: 189hrs/yr (up from 154)
- Added a provision for Unpaid Parental Leave for up to 6 weeks with department discretion.
- Removed language preventing probationary employees from using Bereavement Leave.

Article 24: Performance Incentive Payment

- Removed language that allowed employees who resign from their job to receive the payment.
- Added language clarifying when an employee receives the incentive payment if promoting, retiring, or upon death.
- Increased the Performance Incentive Payment as follows:
 - Meets Expectations: \$500 (from \$350)
 - Exceeds Expectations: \$600 (from \$500)

Article 29: Filling of Vacancies

- Completely removed this Article allowing management more flexibility in staffing.

Article 30: Duration of Agreement

- Three year agreement (10/12/2025 – 10/14/2028).

The remaining articles will stay as current contract language.

November 10, 2025

To: Members of the Budget and Finance Committee

202501990

From: Sheryl M.M. Long, City Manager

**Subject: EMERGENCY LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION – CONVENTION
DISTRICT COMMUNITY AUTHORITY**

Attached is an Emergency Legislative Resolution captioned:

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.

BACKGROUND

In accordance with ORC 349, property owners can voluntarily opt into a New Community Authority, which allows those consenting property owners to subject themselves to various revenue generating sources which include, but are not limited to, charges as it pertains to assessed property valuation, sales, lodging revenue, and fixed parcel charges.

Property owners within the Convention District are interested in creating the Convention District Community Authority to support the financing of the Convention Hotel project, an approximately 700-room convention center hotel and related improvements that will anchor the District and enhance the existing commercial, retail, office, restaurant, entertainment and other existing uses.

Council previously passed Emergency Resolution 61-2025 which scheduled a public hearing for November 24, 2025. This resolution will reschedule the hearing date to December 1, 2025 to better align with Council's calendar. Following the public hearing, an additional resolution will be brought to Council for approval to organize the NCA and appoint its governing board.

RECOMMENDATION

The Administration recommends approval of this emergency legislative resolution.

cc: Markiea Carter, Director, Department of Community & Economic Development

Attachment A: Convention District Community Authority Map



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Legislative Resolution

JRS

RESOLUTION NO. _____ - 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.

WHEREAS, on October 22, 2025, Council passed Resolution No. 61-2025, which determined the petition for the establishment of th Convention District Community Authority complied with the Ohio Revised Code and fixed the time and place for a hearing; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to R.C. Section 349.03(A), Council, upon the determination that a sufficient petition has been filed, must fix a time and place of a hearing on the Petition not less than thirty days or more than forty-five days from the date of the filing of the Petition, since the City, as the "proximate community," as defined in R.C. Section 349.01(M), has signed an approval certificate approving the Petition; and

WHEREAS, amending Resolution No. 61-2025 is necessary to reschedule the required hearing for December 1, 2025, to align the hearing with Council's calendar; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Cincinnati, State of Ohio:

Section 1. That Section 2 of Resolution No. 61-2025, passed by Council on October 22, 2025, is amended as follows:

Section 2. That a public hearing on the Petition shall be held on December 1 ~~November 24~~, 2025, at 1:00 p.m. at City Hall - Council Chambers, Room 300, 801 Plum Street, Cincinnati, Ohio 45202.

Section 2. That the Clerk of Council is directed to give notice of the public hearing on the Petition by publication once each week for three consecutive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation in the City or in accordance with R.C. Section 7.16.

Section 3. That all terms of Resolution No. 61-2025 not amended in this resolution remain in full force and effect.

Section 4. That this resolution shall be an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, safety, and general welfare and shall, subject to the terms of Article II, Section 6 of the Charter, be effective immediately. The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to reschedule the hearing to meet the deadlines required by the Ohio Revised Code.

Passed: _____, 2025

Aftab Pureval, Mayor

Attest: _____
Clerk

Deletions are indicated by strikethrough; additions are indicated by underline.