

June 11, 2025

To: Mayor and Members of City Council

From: Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager

202501205

Subject: Emergency Ordinance – DCED: Meals on Wheels Funding

Attached is an Emergency Ordinance captioned:

AUTHORIZING the transfer and return to source of \$206,000 from existing capital improvement program project account no. 980x164x251600, “Economic Development Initiatives – GF,” to the unappropriated surplus of the General Fund; and **AUTHORIZING** the transfer and appropriation of \$206,000 from the unappropriated surplus of the General Fund to Department of Community and Economic Development non-personnel operating budget account no. 050x164x7400 to support Wesley Community Services, LLC’s relocation to 1750 Logan Street, Cincinnati, OH 45202.

This Emergency Ordinance authorizes the transfer and return to source of \$206,000 from capital improvement program project account no. 980x164x251600, “Economic Development Initiatives – GF,” to the unappropriated surplus of the General Fund. The Emergency Ordinance then authorizes the transfer and appropriation of \$206,000 from the unappropriated surplus of the General Fund to Department of Community and Economic Development non-personnel operating budget account no. 050x164x7400 to support Wesley Community Services, LLC’s relocation to 1750 Logan Street.

Wesley Community Services, LLC (Meals on Wheels) delivers essential services to seniors so they can remain independent at home. This grant will provide \$175,000 to Meals on Wheels’ lessor, covering escalating rent costs during a seven-year lease term at 1750 Logan Street. The grant will provide \$31,000 to assist Meals on Wheels to procure and install certain furniture and equipment required to operate and deliver services. The Emergency Ordinance has an effective date of July 1, 2025 to coincide with the beginning of FY 2026.

Providing funds to assist Meals on Wheels in maintaining their lease and continuing to provide essential services to seniors in the community is in accordance with the “Live” goal to “[c]reate a more livable community” as well as the “Sustain” goal to “[b]ecome a healthier Cincinnati” as described on pages 156 and 181 of Plan Cincinnati (2012).

The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to assist Wesley Community Services, LLC in relocating to 1750 Logan Street, Cincinnati, OH 45202 so that it may continue to provide essential services for seniors in the community.

The Administration recommends passage of this Emergency Ordinance.

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

Attachment

