

September 18, 2024

To: Mayor and Members of City Council

From: Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager

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Subject: **Emergency Ordinance – CMO: Solicit and Accept Donations for Large Cities Executive Forum (LCEF)**

Attached is an Emergency Ordinance captioned:

AUTHORIZING the City Manager and employees of the Office of the City Manager to solicit and accept donations of money, in-kind contributions, and other things of value from the Cincinnati business community, individual benefactors, and other available sources to support the Large Cities Executive Forum (“LCEF”) to be held from October 17, 2024 to October 19, 2024; and **AUTHORIZING** the Director of Finance to deposit any funds donated to the City of Cincinnati for the LCEF into Fund No. 314x8571, “Special Events Fund.”

This Emergency Ordinance authorizes the City Manager and employees of the Office of the City Manager to solicit and accept donations of money, in-kind contributions, and other things of value from the Cincinnati business community, individual benefactors, and other available sources to support the Large Cities Executive Forum (“LCEF”) to be held from October 17, 2024 to October 19, 2024. This Emergency Ordinance also authorizes the Director of Finance to deposit any funds donated to the City of Cincinnati for the LCEF into Fund No. 314x8571, “Special Events Fund.”

The LCEF is held semi-annually and provides an opportunity for chief appointed executives from cities with populations of 200,000 or more to meet and discuss key issues affecting large cities across the county. The City of Cincinnati will host the LCEF from October 17, 2024 to October 19, 2024 at the 21c Museum Hotel in downtown Cincinnati. The Office of the City Manager must solicit donations of money, in-kind contributions, and other things of value from the Cincinnati business community, individual benefactors, and other available sources to cover the costs of the event.

Hosting the LCEF is in accordance with the “Live” goals to “[b]uild a robust public life” and “[c]reate a more livable community” as described on pages 147-163 of Plan Cincinnati (2012).

The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to accept donations and secure sponsorships prior to the Large Cities Executive Forum.

The Administration recommends passage of this Emergency Ordinance.

cc: Andrew M. Dudas, Budget Director
Karen Alder, Finance Director

Attachment

