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RESOLUTION NO. _____-2020

EXPRESSING Cincinnati City Council's belief that the degree to which the Cincinnati Bell Connector succeeds or fails is the responsibility of the City of Cincinnati Administration, the Mayor, and City Council; and **ENCOURAGING** the City Administration, the Mayor, and this Council to take the necessary steps to ensure the success of and safeguard the taxpayers' investment in the Cincinnati Bell Connector.

WHEREAS, the success or failure of the Cincinnati Bell Connector is the responsibility of the City of Cincinnati Administration, the City Manager, the Mayor, and the City Council; and

WHEREAS, Council wishes to encourage the City Administration to take necessary actions to study and possibly implement steps to ensure the success of, and protect taxpayer investment in, the Cincinnati Bell Connector, such as by establishing a board to run the Cincinnati Bell Connector, finding an independent funding source, and improving and expanding the service of the Cincinnati Bell Connector; now, therefore,

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

Section 1. That this Council hereby expresses its belief that the degree to which the Cincinnati Bell Connector succeeds or fails is the responsibility of the City Administration, the Mayor, and City Council.

Section 2. That this Council hereby encourages the City Administration, the Mayor, and its members to take the necessary actions to study and possibly implement the following steps in order to ensure the success of and safeguard the taxpayers' investment in the Cincinnati Bell Connector:

1. Remove politics by forming a nonprofit board to run the Cincinnati Bell Connector using best practices;
2. Identify an independent funding source approved by voters of the area directly served by the Cincinnati Bell Connector;

3. Speed up service to make the Cincinnati Bell Connector a transportation option of choice; and
4. Expand the system beyond downtown and Over-the-Rhine in order to fulfill this body's commitment to connecting and growing Cincinnati.

Section 3. That this resolution be spread upon the minutes of Council.

Passed: _____, 2020

John Cranley, Mayor

Attest: _____
Clerk

Submitted by Councilmember Jeff Pastor