

September 25, 2024

To: Mayor and Members of City Council

From: Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager

202402082

Subject: Emergency Ordinance – CMO: “Then and Now” Payment to Big Ticket Sports, LLC

Attached is an Emergency Ordinance captioned:

AUTHORIZING the payment of \$24,707.83 to Big Ticket Sports, LLC from Other City Obligations General Fund non-personnel operating budget account no. 050x959x0000x7289 for outstanding charges related to the Queen City Slam basketball tournament held on August 10, 2024, pursuant to the attached then and now certificate from the Director of Finance.

This Emergency Ordinance authorizes the payment of \$24,707.83 to Big Ticket Sports, LLC, to be paid from Other City Obligations General Fund non-personnel operating budget account no. 050x959x0000x7289, for outstanding charges related to the Queen City Slam basketball tournament held on August 10, 2024, pursuant to the attached then and now certificate from the Director of Finance.

The City entered into a contract (professional services contract 101 45x051) on May 14, 2024, authorizing Big Ticket Sports, LLC to complete services related to the Queen City Slam basketball tournament. Big Ticket Sports, LLC completed services for the City under the contract on August 10, 2024, and the contract subsequently expired on August 31, 2024. The City certified and expended \$12,500 for management fees per the contract but did not certify enough resources in the Cincinnati Financial System (CFS) to provide for event expenses.

Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code (ORC) Section 5705.41(D)(1), the Director of Finance issued a certificate, verifying that a sufficient sum was appropriated and in the City Treasury for the purpose of paying such charges under the contract both at the time the quote was issued and at the time the attached certificate was issued. The City Council desires to provide payment to Big Ticket Sports, LLC for the City’s outstanding obligation of \$24,707.83 for charges related to the Queen City Slam basketball tournament held on August 10, 2024.

The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to pay Big Ticket Sports, LLC for the outstanding charges in a timely manner.

The Administration recommends passage of this Emergency Ordinance.

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

Attachments

