

EMERGENCY

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- 2025

AUTHORIZING the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant of up to \$15,000 from Hamilton County ReSource's Waste Reduction Innovation grant program to purchase and install community freezers and associated supplies in the Hartwell and Winton Hills Recreation Centers; and **AUTHORIZING** the Director of Finance to deposit the grant funds into Public Health Research Fund revenue account no. 350x8571.

WHEREAS, a Waste Reduction Innovation grant is available from Hamilton County ReSource to reduce waste in Hamilton County; and

WHEREAS, through its Healthy Communities Program, the City will use the grant funds to expand upon its Waste Reduction Innovation pilot program by installing community freezers at the Hartwell and Winton Hills Recreation Centers; and

WHEREAS, the City will work with community partners Food for the Soul and La Soupe to stock the community freezers with meals that are produced from rescued food, with the goal of addressing food waste and insecurity; and

WHEREAS, the community freezers will be placed in an indoor public space at each location for community members to access without screening or judgment; and

WHEREAS, the grant requires a 34.66 percent in-kind local match valued at up to \$5,199.67, which the City will satisfy by assigning an existing Food Equity Coordinator from the Healthy Communities Program to implement the community freezer program; and

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

WHEREAS, acceptance of the grant is in accordance with the "Sustain" goal to "[b]ecome a healthier Cincinnati" as described on page 181 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 apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant of up to \$15,000 from Hamilton County ReSource's Waste Reduction Innovation grant program to purchase and install community freezers and associated supplies in the Hartwell and Winton Hills Recreation Centers.

Section 2. That the Director of Finance is authorized to deposit the grant funds into Public Health Research Fund revenue account no. 350x8571.

Section 3. That the proper City officials are authorized to do all things necessary and proper to comply with the terms of the grant and 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 accept the funds within the deadline established by the grant and deploy the grant resources in a timely manner.

Passed: _____, 2025

Aftab Pureval, Mayor

Attest: _____
Clerk