

**EMERGENCY**

**City of Cincinnati**

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**An Ordinance No. \_\_\_\_\_**

- 2025

**REPEALING** Ordinance No. 97-2025, passed by Council on April 23, 2025, which amended the official zoning map of the City of Cincinnati to rezone the real property located at 2719 Erie Avenue in the Hyde Park neighborhood from the CN-P-B, “Commercial Neighborhood Pedestrian – Neighborhood Business District,” zoning district to Planned Development District No. 103.

WHEREAS, on April 23, 2025, Council passed Ordinance No. 97-2025, amending the official zoning map of the City to rezone the real property located at 2719 Erie Avenue in the Hyde Park neighborhood from the CN-P-B, “Commercial Neighborhood Pedestrian – Neighborhood Business District,” zoning district to Planned Development District No. 103; and

WHEREAS, on May 1, 2025, the Clerk of Council received a certified copy of a referendum petition for Ordinance No. 97-2025 (the “Petition”) filed by a petition committee pursuant to Article II, Section 8(A)(3) of the Charter of the City of Cincinnati (the “Charter”); and

WHEREAS, on May 2, 2025, the City Solicitor completed review of the Petition, as required by Article II, Section 8(A)(4) of the Charter, and determined the Petition met the requirements as to form provided by the Charter and promptly notified the petitioners of this determination; and

WHEREAS, on May 23, 2025, the Clerk of Council received and filed the Petition and all related part-petitions, pursuant to Article II, Section 8(B)(1) of the Charter, and transported the Petition, including all related part-petitions, to the Hamilton County Board of Elections; and

WHEREAS, on June 2, 2025, the Hamilton County Board of Elections notified the Clerk of Council that the Petition contained 13,434 valid signatures; and

WHEREAS, the number of electors of the City who voted in the November 2022 election is 92,505, and ten percent of that total number of electors is 9,251; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article II, Section 8(G)(1) of the Charter, a proposed referendum petition may be submitted to Council if the petition contains the signatures of registered electors of the City in a number equal to or greater than ten percent of the total vote for governor at the most recent general election; and

WHEREAS, on June 2, 2025, pursuant to Article II, Section 8(C)(2) of the Charter, the City Solicitor notified the Mayor and Council, on behalf of the Clerk of Council, that the Hamilton County Board of Elections’ report confirmed a sufficient number of valid signatures on the Petition; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article II, Section 8(G)(3) of the Charter, if the Clerk of Council notifies the Mayor, Council, and the City Solicitor that the Hamilton County Board of Elections has determined a referendum petition has a sufficient number of signatures, Council shall determine whether the petition is otherwise sufficient as authorized by the Charter and Ohio law; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article II, Sections 8(G)(3)(a) and (b) of the Charter, if Council finds a filed referendum petition is otherwise sufficient, beyond the requisite number of signatures, Council must either vote to repeal the subject ordinance or pass an ordinance to submit the proposed referendum to the electors of the City at the next regular municipal election or at a special election; and

WHEREAS, Council finds that the Petition is sufficient as authorized by the Charter and Ohio law; and

WHEREAS, Council desires to repeal Ordinance No. 97-2025, pursuant to Article II, Sections 8(G)(3)(a) of the Charter, rather than submit the proposed referendum to the electors of the City; now, therefore,

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

Section 1. That Ordinance No. 97-2025, passed by Council on April 23, 2025, is repealed in its entirety.

Section 2. 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 need to expediently facilitate the redevelopment of the real property located at 2719 Erie Avenue in the Hyde Park neighborhood.

Passed: \_\_\_\_\_, 2025

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Aftab Pureval, Mayor

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk