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*Vice Mayor*

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## MOTION

**WE MOVE** that City Council commit to an additional \$2 million for the Regional Safety Complex payable to Hamilton County by the end of calendar year 2028, to help with the \$14.5 million increase in cost for Hamilton County and the City of Cincinnati's new Regional Safety Complex that will be the education and training facility for the Cincinnati Police Department, the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office, as well as other municipal, state, and federal agencies.

**WE MOVE** further that our administration work with the Hamilton County administration to create a viable payment plan such as committing \$1 million from the FY '26 carryover budget surplus and \$1 million from the FY '27 carryover budget surplus to pay Hamilton County.

**WE MOVE** further that our administration work with the Hamilton County administration to suggest an alternative amount and a payment plan for that amount if that alternative is in the best interest of the City of Cincinnati.

**FURTHER WE MOVE** that these funds be held until County Administration and the Cincinnati Police Department present before the City of Cincinnati's Budget, Finance, and Governance Committee with specific costs and information related to the requested allocation.

The story of the Regional Safety Complex is attached hereto. See Attachment A. Also attached is the email from Hamilton County to explain the cost increases. See Attachment B.

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## **STATEMENT**

Relocating the Cincinnati Police Department's gun range from the heavily populated Evendale/Lincoln Heights/Woodlawn region to a more remote location surrounded by greenspace and a cemetery (which prevents future residential development) was a win for environmental justice.

The hearing held in City Hall on October 6, 2020 brought together bipartisan elected officials from the U.S. Senate, the State of Ohio, Hamilton County, municipalities and villages, as well as residents impacted by the gun range. Plans and implementation took years of meetings and negotiations from the federal level to the State, County, City, townships, and villages.

After decades of failed attempt, we must see this project to its completion.