



# City of Cincinnati

801 Plum Street  
Cincinnati, OH 45202

## Agenda - Final-revised

### Public Safety & Governance

*Councilmember Scotty Johnson, Chair*  
*Vice Mayor Jan-Michele Kearney, Vice Chair*  
*Councilmember Mark Jeffreys*  
*Councilmember Anna Albi*

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Tuesday, August 5, 2025

9:00 AM

Council Chambers, Room 300

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### PRESENTATIONS

#### Curfew Enforcement

Sheryl Long, City Manager

Teresa Theetge, Police Chief

Emily Smart Woerner, City Solicitor

### AGENDA

1. [202501576](#) **PRESENTATION**, submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, dated 8/5/2025, regarding the Curfew Enforcement.  
  
**Sponsors:** City Manager  
**Attachments:** [Transmittal](#)  
[Presentation](#)
2. [202501563](#) **MOTION**, Submitted by Council Member Albi, We MOVE that the City Administration leverage funding available through PIVOT and ACT for Cincy to pursue the following violence reduction strategies (BALANCE ON FILE IN THE CLERK OF COUNCIL OFFICE).  
  
**Sponsors:** Albi  
**Attachments:** [Attachment](#)
3. [202501522](#) **MOTION**, submitted by Councilmember Cramerding, **WE MOVE** that the city immediately utilize \$2 million from the General Fund Contingency Account to be used to expedite and expand the lateral recruit class and to fund police overtime, walking and bike patrols, tech upgrades, lighting and security cameras, and other measures necessary to improve public safety and deter violent crime in the Central Business District and other crime hot spots.  
  
**Sponsors:** Cramerding  
**Attachments:** [Motion](#)
4. [202501237](#) **ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY)**, submitted by Councilmember Johnson, from

Emily Smart Woerner, City Solicitor, **TO SUBMIT** to the electors of the City of Cincinnati an amendment to Section 3 of Article V, "Civil Service," of the Charter of the City of Cincinnati that will create an incentive for individuals who have completed a public safety internship to pursue public safety careers with the city.

**Sponsors:** Johnson

**Attachments:** [Ordinance](#)

5. [202501562](#) **ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY)**, submitted by Councilmember Nolan, from Emily Smart Woerner, City Solicitor, **TO SUBMIT** to the electors of the City of Cincinnati an amendment to Sections 1, 2, and 4 of Article XIII, "Campaign Finance," of the Charter of the City of Cincinnati to align the City's campaign finance reporting requirements with those of the State of Ohio, to adjust the campaign contribution limitation periods so they correspond with the timing of elections, and to modify the membership requirements of the Cincinnati Elections Commission to ensure bipartisan oversight.

**Sponsors:** Nolan

**Attachments:** [Transmittal](#)  
[Ordinance](#)

6. [202501571](#) **ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY)**, submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 8/5/2025, **MODIFYING** the provisions of Chapter 911, "Miscellaneous Misdemeanors," of the Cincinnati Municipal Code by **AMENDING** Section 911-27, "Curfew for Minors," to create a uniform citywide curfew time for all minors to better address juvenile crime and support juvenile safety in Cincinnati.

**Sponsors:** City Manager

**Attachments:** [Transmittal](#)  
[Ordinance](#)

7. [202501572](#) **ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY)**, submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 8/5/2025, **MODIFYING** the provisions of Chapter 911, "Miscellaneous Misdemeanors," of the Cincinnati Municipal Code by **ORDAINING** new Section 911-28, "Special Extended Curfew District for Minors," to address increased juvenile crime and support juvenile safety in the Downtown area of Cincinnati.

**Sponsors:** City Manager

**Attachments:** [Transmittal](#)  
[Ordinance](#)  
[Attachment](#)

8. [202501547](#) **ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY)**, submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 8/5/2025, **MODIFYING** the provisions of Chapter 307, "Classified Compensation Schedules," of the Cincinnati Municipal Code by **ORDAINING** new Section 693 of Division 1 to establish the classification title and salary range schedule for the new

employment classification of Private Parking Lot Inspector.

**Sponsors:** City Manager

**Attachments:** [Transmittal](#)  
[Ordinance](#)

ADJOURNMENT

August 5, 2025

To: Members of the Public Safety and Governance Committee

202501576

From: Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager

Subject: Presentation - Curfew Enforcement

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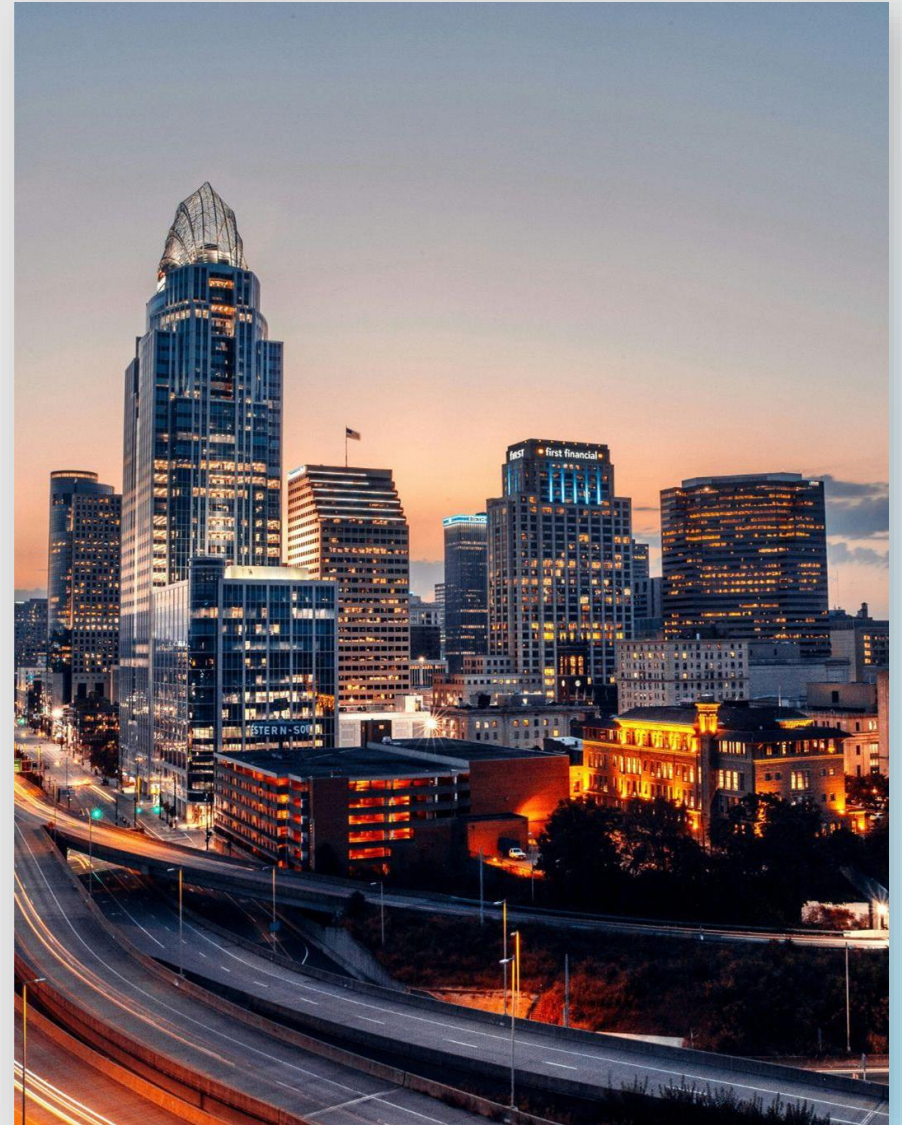
Attached is a presentation regarding curfew enforcement for the Public Safety and Governance Committee.

cc: John Brazina, Assistant City Manager  
Teresa A. Theetge, Police Chief

Emily Smart Woerner, City Solicitor

# City of Cincinnati

## Curfew Enforcement



# Curfew Enforcement Vetting Process



## Reviewing CPD Procedures

CPD conducted an internal review of policies and procedures to determine what may need to be updated



## Internal Team Exploring Additional Options

A cross-departmental team met for weeks to discuss curfew enforcement options including updated ordinances, partner support, and a centralized curfew center



## Legal Review

The City Law Department is an integral part of exploring enforcement and potential updates to the curfew policy



## Conversations with Funded Partners

Convened group of Human Services funded partners to discuss support for curfew enforcement and messaging to youth served



# Curfew Ordinances



## Emergency Ordinance to Create Single Curfew Time

- Amends CMC Section 911-27 to create a uniform citywide curfew time for all unaccompanied minors
- Any unaccompanied minor under the age of 18 must be home by 11 p.m.



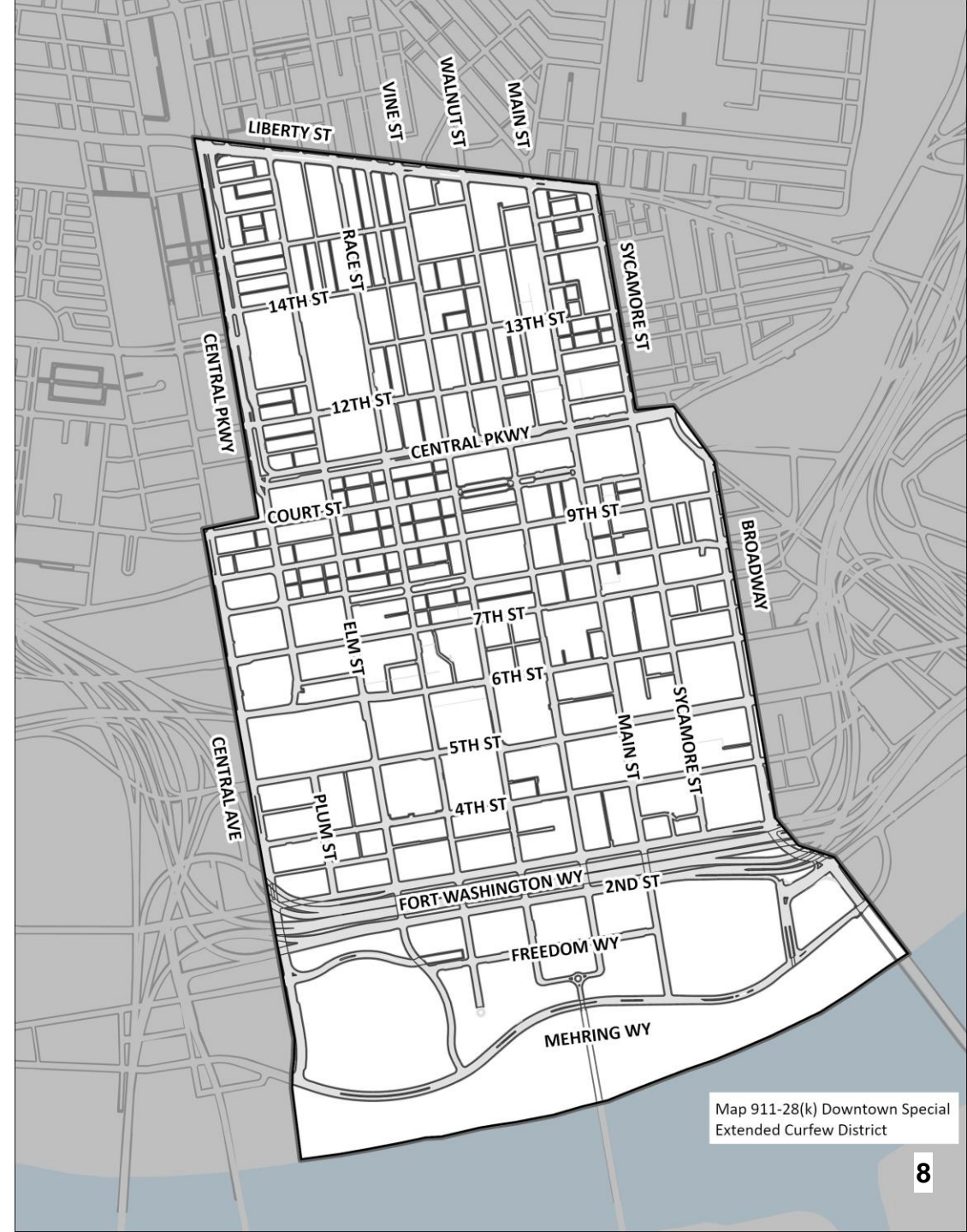
## Emergency Ordinance to Add Special Curfew District

- Portions of the Central Business District and Over-The-Rhine, as defined in this map, will be part of a special extended curfew district for minors
- The curfew for unaccompanied minors in this area begins at 9 p.m.



## Exceptions

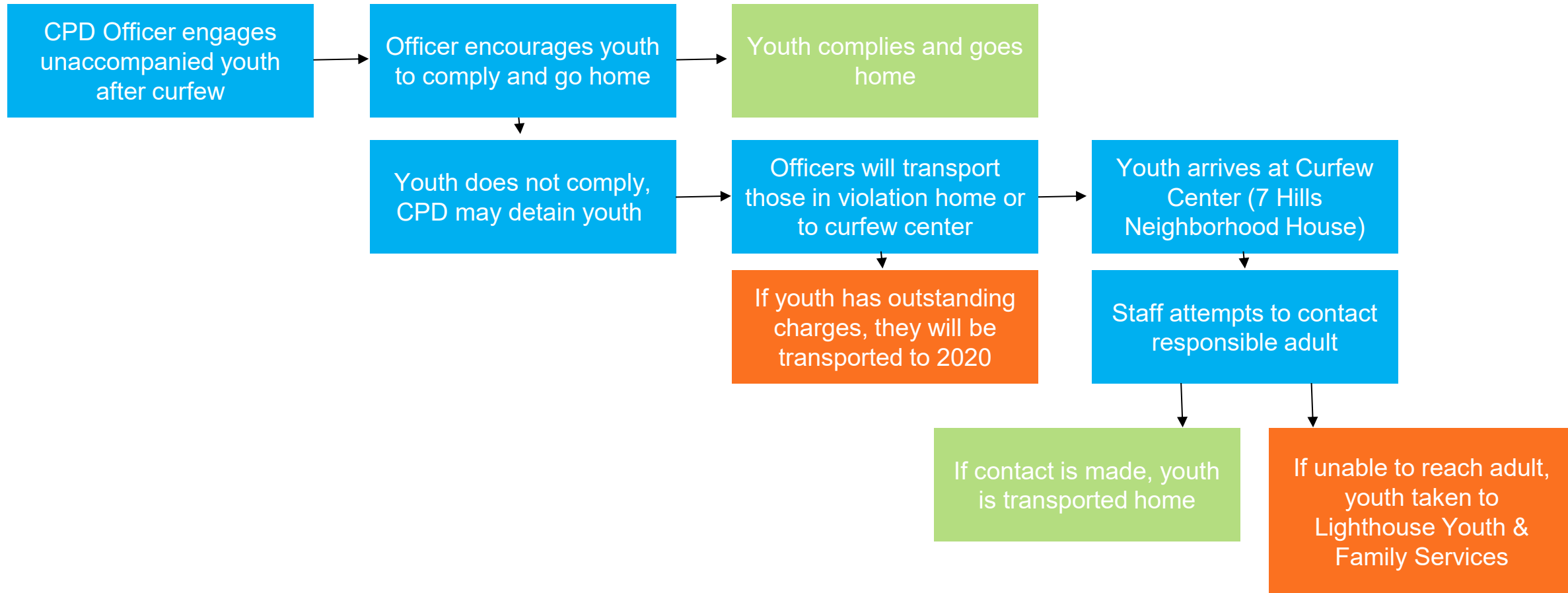
- Accompanied by a parent/guardian
- Emancipated
- Exercising First Amendment Rights
- Going to or from work
- Attending a school, religious, or City sponsored event
- Emergency
- Interstate travel
- Being on the sidewalk outside their residence
- Running an errand or activity directed by minor's parent/guardian



Map 911-28(k) Downtown Special  
Extended Curfew District



# Curfew Enforcement



# Curfew Center



## Seven Hills Community Center

- Staff will receive youth at the center and work to identify responsible adult
- Provide counseling, services, space to sit and food and water
- Work with JFS to contact responsible adult and get child home



## Lighthouse Youth & Family Services

- Provide support staff for intake and family outreach at the curfew center
- Provide transportation to Mecum House for those unable to go home
- House youth overnight



THANK YOU



Anna Albi  
*Councilmember*

July 29, 2025

## **MOTION**

We MOVE that the City Administration leverage funding available through PIVOT and ACT for Cincy<sup>1</sup> to pursue the following violence reduction strategies:

- Deploy community violence intervention specialists<sup>2</sup> in key hotspot areas to proactively address instances of youth disorder and violence in partnership with community partners and/or through expanding capacity for internal staffing through the City Manager's office.
- Identify hotspots that could benefit from additional lighting, camera placement, and other placed-based solutions, as guided by the principles of crime prevention through environmental design (CPTED).
- Continue engaging with parking lot operators to improve safety in an effort to specifically reduce firearms being stolen out of vehicles.

We FURTHER MOVE that the City Administration write a report within the next 10 business days that outlines how these efforts will be implemented, identify whether additional funding is needed to support the above initiatives and share frequent status updates at subsequent Public Safety and Governance committee meetings.

  
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Councilmember Anna Albi

<sup>1</sup> The ACT for Cincy funding was allocated in Motion #202501259

<sup>2</sup> This would be an outreach program analogous to the Collaborative Agreement Community Care Initiative led by City Consultant Iris Roley at the transit centers



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**Jeff Cramerding**  
Councilmember

## Public Safety Motion

**WE MOVE** that the city immediately utilize \$2 million from the General Fund Contingency Account<sup>1</sup> to be used to expedite and expand the lateral recruit class and to fund police overtime, walking and bike patrols, tech upgrades, lighting and security cameras, and other measures necessary to improve public safety and deter violent crime in the Central Business District and other crime hot spots.

JEFF CRAMERDING

<sup>1</sup> This account will be refilled during the city's FY25 budget closeout.

Let's compare

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Comparison

**EMERGENCY**

**City of Cincinnati**

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

- 2025

**TO SUBMIT** to the electors of the City of Cincinnati an amendment to Section 3 of Article V, “Civil Service,” of the Charter of the City of Cincinnati that will create an incentive for individuals who have completed a public safety internship to pursue public safety careers with the City .

WHEREAS, the City has multiple programs that provide young people with public safety career vocational training (“Public Safety Internships”); and

WHEREAS, individuals who successfully complete these programs have increased merit, fitness, efficiency, character, and industry for public safety service; and

WHEREAS, Section 3 of Article V of the Charter of the City of Cincinnati currently provides that graduates of the Cincinnati Public Schools public safety academy program receive a credit of five points added to the passing scores on entry level civil service examinations for positions in the classified service of the City; and

WHEREAS, the City is committed to recruiting highly qualified candidates for the Cincinnati Fire and Police Departments; and

WHEREAS, Council finds that providing examination credit on classified civil service entry-level examinations will incentivize individuals who successfully complete a Public Safety Internship to apply for jobs with the Cincinnati Fire and Police Departments; and

WHEREAS, examination credit under this Charter provision shall apply only to entry level examinations and shall not apply to any promotional examinations; and

WHEREAS, Council finds that the citizens of Cincinnati will benefit from the public service of Public Safety Internship graduates in the Cincinnati Fire and Police Departments; now, therefore,

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Council of the City of Cincinnati, State of Ohio, two-thirds of the members elected thereto concurring:

Section 1. That there shall be submitted to the vote of the qualified electors of the City of Cincinnati for their approval or disapproval at the general election to be held November 4, 2025, an amendment to the Charter of the City of Cincinnati, amending Section 3 of Article V, “Civil Service,” to read as follows:



## **Article V. – CIVIL SERVICE**

### **Section 3.**

Except as provided in this charter, the council shall have no power to modify the provisions of the laws of the state of Ohio now or hereafter in effect relating to the civil service and civil service commissions. This shall include the provision of veteran preferences as defined and provided pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Chapter 124 or its successor. The civil service commission shall award to any soldier, sailor, marine, coast guardsman, member of the auxiliary corps as established by congress, member of the army nurse corps or navy nurse corps, or red cross nurse who has served in the army, navy, or hospital service of the United States and such military service as is designated by congress, who can provide satisfactory documentation at the time established by the city manager or the city manager's designee, which shall be no earlier than the day before an eligibility list is approved by the civil service commission, that such veteran has been honorably discharged therefrom, or transferred to the reserve with evidence of satisfactory service, an examination credit of five (5) points added to their passing score on entry level examinations for the classified service of the city of Cincinnati. An examination credit of ten (10) points shall be added to the passing score of "disabled veterans," as defined in the Ohio Revised Code. No fee or other assessment shall be charged to applicants for examinations for positions under the civil service.

The civil service commission shall award an examination credit of five (5) points in entry level examinations for the classified service in the city of Cincinnati fire or police departments to any individual who has successfully completed one of the following public safety internship programs:

- (i) a fire or police program conducted at a public safety academy established by Cincinnati Public Schools in collaboration with the City of Cincinnati with a public safety curriculum approved by the city of Cincinnati administration and its fire and/or police administration;
- (ii) the Cincinnati Police Understudy Program;
- (iii) the Cincinnati Police Summer Cadet Program;
- (iv) a minimum of two years in the Cincinnati Police Public Safety Cadet Program;
- (v) the Cincinnati Fire Cadet Program; or
- (vi) Cincinnati Fire Summer Cadet Program.

A person shall receive a maximum of ten (10) points on any entry level examination for positions under the civil service through a combination of military service examination credit and public safety internship credit.

The city civil service shall be divided into the classified service and the unclassified service. In addition to the positions that comprise the unclassified service under state civil service law, the unclassified service of the city shall include department and division heads, deputies or assistants to department heads,

and professional housing and economic development positions. All other positions shall be in the classified service. A person who on the date of enactment of this section holds a position in the classified civil service which becomes unclassified under this section shall be deemed to hold a position in the classified civil service until he or she vacates the position, after which time the position shall be filled as an unclassified position.

Section 2. That the form of the submission of the proposed amendment to the electors shall be substantially as follows:

<b>CHARTER AMENDMENT</b>  <b>A majority vote is necessary for passage.</b>	
<b>YES</b>	Shall the Charter of the City of Cincinnati be amended to provide that graduates of a public safety internship program established by the City of Cincinnati be provided an incentive to serve the City in the fire and police departments through an award of five (5) points in examination credit on departmental entry level examinations, by amending Section 3 of Article V, "Civil Service," of the Charter of the City of Cincinnati?
<b>NO</b>	

Section 3. That the Clerk of Council shall give notice of the proposed Charter Amendment in the manner provided by Sections 8 and 9 of Article XVIII of the Ohio Constitution and Ohio Revised Code Section 731.211(B) .

Section 4. That the Clerk of Council is directed to certify and transmit to the Board of Elections of Hamilton County, Ohio, a copy of this ordinance and direct the said Board to submit the proposed Charter amendment to the electors of the City of Cincinnati as provided by law.

Section 5. That the Board of Elections of Hamilton County, Ohio, shall certify to the Council the result of the vote upon said amendment, and if said amendment is approved by a

majority of the electors voting thereon, Article V, "Civil Service," Section 3, as amended, shall become a part of the Charter of the City of Cincinnati.

Section 6. 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, go into effect forthwith. The reason for the emergency is the immediate necessity to authorize the Clerk of Council to certify and transmit this ordinance to the Board of Elections at least sixty days prior to the November 4, 2025 general election.

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

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Aftab Pureval, Mayor

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

202501562  
**Date:** August 6, 2025

**To:** Councilmember Evan Nolan  
**From:** Emily Smart Woerner, City Solicitor *EESW*  
**Subject:** **Ordinance – Campaign Finance Charter Amendment**

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Transmitted herewith is an ordinance captioned as follows:

**TO SUBMIT** to the electors of the City of Cincinnati an amendment to Sections 1, 2, and 4 of Article XIII, “Campaign Finance,” of the Charter of the City of Cincinnati to align the City’s campaign finance reporting requirements with those of the State of Ohio, to adjust the campaign contribution limitation periods so they correspond with the timing of elections, and to modify the membership requirements of the Cincinnati Elections Commission to ensure bipartisan oversight.

EESW/IMD(dbr)  
Attachment  
4919-8159-4453

**EMERGENCY**

**City of Cincinnati**

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

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- 2025

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WHEREAS, candidates for City Council and Mayor of the City of Cincinnati must comply with both State of Ohio and the City of Cincinnati laws regarding the filing of campaign finance reports; and

WHEREAS, the State of Ohio requires more frequent and timely reporting than the City of Cincinnati, resulting in a mismatch between the reports submitted to the State and those submitted to the City, as well as delay in the availability of campaign finance information at the local level; and

WHEREAS, Council finds that delaying reports to the City that are already being filed with the State does not support the public's right to timely access to campaign finance information for candidates for local office, and that aligning the City's campaign finance reporting deadlines and reporting periods with those required by the State of Ohio will promote transparency, reduce confusion, and simplify compliance for candidates; and

WHEREAS, Council also finds that adjusting the campaign contribution limitation periods to coincide with the timing of elections will enhance fairness, improve clarity for candidates and contributors, and provide a more logical and streamlined framework for administering the City's campaign finance laws; and

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Council of the City of Cincinnati, State of Ohio, two-thirds of the members elected thereto concurring:

Section 1. That there shall be submitted to the vote of the qualified electors of the City of Cincinnati for their approval or disapproval at the general election to be held November 4, 2025, an amendment to the Charter of the City of Cincinnati, amending Sections 1, 2, and 4 of Article XIII, "Campaign Finance," to read as follows:

**Article XIII. – CAMPAIGN FINANCE**

**Section 1.**

**Limits on Contributions**

- a. In the period from the day after the municipal election of any member of council through the next general election for any member of council, a person may contribute not more than \$1,100 to any one candidate for council, except that a political action committee may contribute not more than \$2,700, and a political party or legislative campaign fund may contribute not more than \$10,500. Such amounts shall be subject to periodic adjustment pursuant to Section (4)(f)(2) herein.
- b. In the period from the day after the municipal general election of a mayor through the next primary for the selection of candidates for mayor, if a primary is held, a person may contribute not more than \$1,100 to any one candidate for mayor, except that a political action committee may contribute not more than \$2,700, and a political party or legislative campaign fund may contribute not more than \$10,500. Such amounts shall be subject to periodic adjustment pursuant to Section (4)(f)(2) herein.
- c. In the period from the day after the primary for the selection of candidates for mayor through the next municipal general election of a mayor, identical limitations as in subsection b apply to contributions to any one candidate for mayor in the regular or special election for mayor. If there is no mayoral primary, the contribution limits for mayoral candidates provided in this section shall apply to the period from the day after the municipal general election of a mayor through the next municipal general election of a mayor.
- d. A candidate in a council or mayoral election may not solicit or accept a contribution proscribed by this section.
- e.
  - 1) The limit set forth in this section on contributions by a political action committee applies to the combined contributions of all the political action committees established, financed, maintained, or controlled by the same corporation, organization, labor union, continuing association, or other person, including a subsidiary, division, or department thereof.
  - 2) A limit on contributions by a political party applies to the combined contributions of national, state, and local organizations of the same party.
- f.
  - 1) No partnership or other unincorporated business shall make a contribution or contributions solely in the name of the partnership or unincorporated business.
  - 2) Any contribution made from the funds of a partnership or other unincorporated business shall allocate the contribution or a portion of the contribution to the person, owner, member, and/or partner making the contribution.

- 3) The contribution allocation shall be included in the \$1,100 individual contribution limit for that person, owner, member, and/or partner.
- g. The limitations in this section do not apply to:
- 1) (Repealed)
  - 2) an unexpended permissible contribution raised in one period and carried over to the next, or
  - 3) the personal contributions of a candidate or the candidate's spouse.

## **Section 2.**

### **Reporting of Contributions and Expenditures.**

- a. A candidate, political action committee, legislative campaign fund, or political party that made or received a contribution or expenditure supporting a candidate for city council or mayor shall file with the Commission a full, true, and itemized report of each contribution or expenditure in the manner and form required by the Commission, and in accordance with the deadlines and reporting periods established for such reports under Section 3517.10 of the Ohio Revised Code, or any successor provision. Each report shall include the full name and address of each person from whom a contribution was received or to whom an expenditure was made, the date and value of each contribution or expenditure, and for any individual contributing more than \$100 in the reporting period, the employer or, if self-employed, the occupation of the individual. The Commission may require additional information to be included in each report.
- b. If a report to the Commission would be required pursuant to section a, but a candidate, political action committee, legislative campaign fund, or political party has received no contributions and made no expenditures since the period covered by its most recently filed statement, it shall instead file a statement with the Commission affirming that no activity occurred, in the manner and form required by the Commission, and by the same deadlines set forth in section a.
- c. Reporting of independent expenditures:
  - 1) Within 10 days of making independent expenditures totaling more than \$1,000 in a period specified in section 1a, b, or c, the person making the expenditures shall file a report of the expenditures with the Commission in the manner and form required by the Commission. If a portion of the expenditures is made within 30 days of the election, the person shall file the report within 48 hours, and if made within 7 days of the election the person shall file the report within 24 hours.



- 2) If a person makes independent expenditures totaling more than \$3,000 and accepts a contribution to the expenditures over \$100, the person shall include in the report of the expenditures the name, residence address and employer or, if self-employed, the occupation of the contributor.

d. Penalties.

- 1) Contribution. When the Commission chooses to impose a penalty for making, soliciting, or accepting a contribution that exceeds the maximum permitted by this section, the penalty shall be a civil fine equal to three times the excess contribution.
- 2) Reporting. The penalty for failure to file a report required by this section is a civil fine for each day of violation a) in a council election, \$100, and b) in a mayoral election, \$200.
- 3) A penalty under subsection (2) does not apply if an addendum supplying the required information is filed within the time established in section 4d.

**Section 4.**

Cincinnati Elections Commission

- a. The Commission shall administer and enforce this Article.
- b. Membership.
  - 1) Number. The Commission consists of at least five members to include a) one member affiliated with each political party with which one or more council members or the mayor is affiliated, and b) the minimum number of members not affiliated with a political party necessary to have five members or an uneven number, but not fewer than one.
  - 2) Nomination and appointment.
    - a) Party-affiliated member: Within 7 days of the occurrence of a vacancy in a party-affiliated position on the Commission, the city shall send written notification of the existence of a vacancy to the local executive committee of the same political party. Within 30 days of the listed date of the written notification of the occurrence of a vacancy in a party-affiliated position on the Commission, the local executive committee of the same political party with which the former Commission member was affiliated shall submit to the mayor the names of three individuals affiliated with that party. Within 15 days of receiving the three names, the mayor shall appoint one of the nominees. If the party committee fails to submit

a total of three names within the required time, the mayor shall appoint an individual affiliated with that party within 15 days.

- b) Non-party affiliated member: Within 30 days of the occurrence of a vacancy in a non-party affiliated position on the Commission, the mayor shall appoint a person who has not been nominated by a political party during the current election cycle to fill the vacancy. The Commission may grant an extension if additional time is reasonably necessary to identify and appoint an eligible non-party affiliated candidate.

3) Terms.

- a) Except as provided in subsections (d) and (f) a Commission member serves a four-year term, which shall begin on December 1 of the year in which the member is appointed unless the Commission member is appointed to fill an unexpired term.
  - c) If appointed to fill an unexpired term, a Commission member serves until the expiration of the predecessor's term.
  - d) The Commission members serving on November 6, 2018, shall continue in office until the expiration of their existing terms. Subject to subsection (e), such members are eligible to be appointed to serve additional terms on the Commission.
  - e) The members appointed to fill the expired terms of the members serving on November 6, 2018 shall serve a term of four years plus whatever additional time is necessary for their terms to expire on November 30 of that year.
  - f) A Commission member may not serve more than two consecutive terms but any period in which the member filled an unexpired term less than 3 years in length shall not count toward the prohibition against serving two consecutive terms.
  - g) Commission members' terms shall be staggered so that no more than a simple majority of the terms expire in a single year. If additional members are appointed to the Commission pursuant to section 4(b) of this Article, the mayor shall have the discretion to appoint such members to an initial term of 3, 4, or 5 years so that the terms of no more than a simple majority of the members expire in a single year.
- 4) Qualifications and prohibitions. A Commission member must be a resident registered to vote in the city of Cincinnati but may not:

- a) hold or be a candidate for public office;
- b) be an officer of a political party;
- c) be a legislative agent;
- d) be in the unclassified service under Ohio civil service law or an individual or employee described in Ohio Revised Code section 4117.01(C)(1) through (12); and
- e) as to a Cincinnati municipal election,
  - i) make or solicit a contribution supporting or opposing a candidate or ballot question or issue; or
  - ii) serve on a committee of a political party, political action committee, or contributing entity.
  - iii) Any Commission member who violates one of the prohibitions as to a Cincinnati municipal election shall have 30 days to cure the violation.

5) Organization and staff.

- a) The Commission shall:
  - i) elect from its members a chairperson and a vice-chairperson, both of whom may not be affiliated with the same political party, to serve a four-year term. The chairperson may not have served more than one previous term as chairperson and may not be affiliated with the same political party as the immediately preceding chairperson;
  - ii) adopt rules of procedure;
  - iii) meet on the call of the chairperson or the written request of a majority of members; and
  - iv) act only with the concurrence of a majority of members.
- b) The Commission may request the City Solicitor to assist it in carrying out its duties.

- c. Duties of the Commission. The Commission shall adopt rules to administer and enforce this article including provisions for:

- 1) the filing of reports by electronic means, and other means it considers appropriate;
  - 2) review and investigation of a) a report filed with it for compliance with this Article, and b) a sworn complaint based on personal knowledge alleging a violation of this Article;
  - 3) making a preliminary determination that a report filed with it is complete and accurate, and does not indicate any overcontributions;
  - 4) immediate notice to a person alleged to have violated this Article;
  - 5) holding a hearing that meets due process requirements for the alleged violator within 30 days of receipt of the notice of the alleged violation; and
  - 6) sending to the alleged violator and the complainant within 30 days of the end of the hearing a written decision on the alleged violation.
- d. Addendum to the report.
- 1) If the Commission makes a preliminary determination that a report filed with it is incomplete, inaccurate, or contains an overcontribution, it shall conditionally accept the report and by certified mail notify the filer of its determination.
  - 2) Within 7 days of receipt of the notice, the filer may submit an addendum that corrects the deficiency or indicates the refund or return of an overcontribution. The Commission may grant an extension to file the addendum. If the filer fails to submit an acceptable addendum, the Commission shall conduct further proceedings in accordance with subsection c.
- e. Finding a violation. After finding a violation of this Article, the Commission may impose a civil fine or other penalty authorized by this Article. The Commission shall refer to the appropriate city agency collection of a civil fine the Commission imposes or recovery of excess payments to a candidate.
- f. Additional powers and duties of the Commission.
- 1) The Commission may:
    - a) apply to council to issue and compel compliance with a subpoena ordering attendance of a witness or production of a document, and to administer oaths; or

- b) render an advisory opinion. A person who reasonably relies on a Commission advisory opinion is not liable for a violation of this Article.
- 2) Every four years, the Commission shall adjust the contribution limits in section 1 by the same percentage as the periodic adjustments to the salaries of the mayor and a council member, rounded up to the nearest one hundred dollars.
- 3) Periodically, the Commission shall file timely reports on the operation of this Article, including one comprehensive report each election cycle within five months after an election.

Section 2. That the form of the submission of the proposed amendment to the electors shall be substantially as follows:

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>CHARTER AMENDMENT</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>A majority vote is necessary for passage.</b></p>	
<b>YES</b>	<p>Shall the Charter of the City of Cincinnati be amended to (1) align the City's campaign finance reporting deadlines with those required by the State of Ohio, (2) adjust reporting periods to correspond with the timing of local elections, and (3) provide additional time to fill vacancies on the Cincinnati Elections Commission, by amending Sections 1, 2, and 4 of Article XIII, "Campaign Finance," of the Charter of the City of Cincinnati?</p>
<b>NO</b>	

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Section 4. That the Clerk of Council is directed to certify and transmit to the Board of Elections of Hamilton County, Ohio, a copy of this ordinance and direct the said Board to submit the proposed Charter amendment to the electors of the City of Cincinnati as provided by law.

Section 5. That the Board of Elections of Hamilton County, Ohio, shall certify to the Council the result of the vote upon said amendment, and if said amendment is approved by a majority of the electors voting thereon, Article XIII, "Campaign Finance," Sections 1, 2, and 4, as amended, shall become a part of the Charter of the City of Cincinnati.

Section 6. 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, go into effect forthwith. The reason for the emergency is the immediate necessity to authorize the Clerk of Council to certify and transmit this ordinance to the Board of Elections at least sixty days prior to the November 4, 2025 general election.

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

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Aftab Pureval, Mayor

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

**Date:** August 5, 2025

202501571

**To:** Mayor and Members of City Council  
**From:** Sheryl M.M. Long, City Manager  
**Subject:** **Emergency Ordinance – Amending CMC Section 911-27 to Create Single Curfew Time**

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Transmitted herewith is an emergency ordinance captioned as follows:

**MODIFYING** the provisions of Chapter 911, “Miscellaneous Misdemeanors,” of the Cincinnati Municipal Code by **AMENDING** Section 911-27, “Curfew for Minors,” to create a uniform citywide curfew time for all minors to better address juvenile crime and support juvenile safety in Cincinnati.

cc: Emily Smart Woerner, City Solicitor



EESW/CNS(dmm)  
Attachment  
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## EMERGENCY

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**MODIFYING** the provisions of Chapter 911, “Miscellaneous Misdemeanors,” of the Cincinnati Municipal Code by **AMENDING** Section 911-27, “Curfew for Minors,” to create a uniform citywide curfew time for all minors to better address juvenile crime and support juvenile safety in Cincinnati.

WHEREAS, ensuring safe and clean communities is a core function of the City; and

WHEREAS, multiple Cincinnati neighborhoods are experiencing an increase in youth-related calls for service, youth-involved crime, and youth arrests; and

WHEREAS, decreasing juvenile crime and supporting juvenile safety are compelling government interests; and

WHEREAS, to protect the public health, safety, and welfare in Cincinnati, Council finds it necessary to provide the City with all appropriate tools necessary to ensure flexibility to combat threats to communities; now, therefore,

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

Section 1. That Section 911-27, “Curfew for Minors,” of Chapter 911, “Miscellaneous Misdemeanors,” of the Cincinnati Municipal Code is amended as follows:

### **Sec. 911-27. Curfew for Minors.**

#### **(a) Definitions.**

- (1) “Minor” shall mean a person who is under the age of 18 years of age.
- (2) “Remain” shall mean to linger or to stay upon a place, ~~stay behind, tarry, to stay upon the public right of way, street, alley, highway, sidewalk, playground, park, plaza, building, or other place used by or open to the public.~~
- (3) “Adult” shall mean a person at least 21 years of age.
- (4) “Emergency” shall mean any unforeseen combination of circumstances or the resulting state that calls for immediate action. The term includes, but is not limited to, a fire, a natural disaster, ~~or an~~ automobile accident, or any situation requiring immediate action to prevent serious bodily injury or loss of life.
- (5) “Knowingly” shall have the same meaning as defined in Ohio Revised Code Section 2901.22.

- (6) “Emancipated Minor” shall mean a minor child under the age of 18 years of age and free of parental control.
- (7) “Public Place” refers to any place to which the public or a substantial group of the public has access, including, but not limited to: streets, highways, roads, sidewalks, alleys, avenues, playgrounds, parks, plazas, and/or the common areas of schools, hospitals, apartment houses, office buildings, transportation facilities, and shops.
- (b) It shall be unlawful for any minor under the age of ~~16~~ 18 years to be, or remain in, about or upon any place in the city away from the dwelling house or usual place of abode of said minor, between the hours of ~~10:00–11:00 p.m.~~ and 5:00 a.m. of the following day. ~~The provisions of this section do not apply to said minor when accompanied by his or her parent, guardian or other adult person having the care, custody or supervision of said minor; or where said minor is on an emergency errand; or where said minor is exercising First Amendment Rights protected by the United States Constitution; or where said minor is going to or from employment; or is on specific business or activity directed or permitted by his or her parent, guardian or other adult person having the care, custody or supervision of said minor.~~
- (c) ~~It shall be unlawful for any minor sixteen years of age or older and under the age of eighteen years to be, or remain in, about or upon any place in the city away from the dwelling house or usual place of abode of said minor, between the hours of 12:00 a.m. and 5:00 a.m.~~ Exceptions. The provisions of paragraph (b) of this section do not apply to any minor who is:
- (1) Accompanied by said minor’s parent, guardian, or other adult person having the care, custody, or supervision of said minor;
  - (2) Emancipated;
  - (3) Exercising First Amendment Rights protected by the United States Constitution;
  - (4) Going to or from employment without detour or stop;
  - (5) Attending an official school, religious, or other recreational activity sponsored by the City of Cincinnati, by a civic or public organization or entity, or by another similar organization or entity, which activity is supervised by adults, and/or going to or returning from such an activity without detour or stop;
  - (6) Involved in an emergency;
  - (7) Involved in interstate travel through, or beginning or terminating in, the city;
  - (8) On the sidewalk abutting the minor’s residence or abutting the residence of a next-door neighbor if the neighbor did not complain to the police department about the minor’s presence; or

- (9) Running an errand or doing any other specific task or activity directed or permitted by said minor's parent, guardian or other adult person having the care, custody or supervision of said minor.

~~emancipated minor or to a minor when accompanied by his or her parent, guardian or other adult person having the care, custody or supervision of said minor; or where said minor is on an emergency errand; or where said minor is exercising First Amendment Rights protected by the United States Constitution; or where said minor is going to or from employment; or is on specific business or activity directed or permitted by his or her parent, guardian or other adult person having the care, custody or supervision of said minor.~~

- (d) Parent or Guardian to Take Minor Into Custody. In addition to any other powers ~~he may have already provided by law~~, any law enforcement officer who arrests a minor for violating any of the provisions of divisions (b) ~~or (e)~~ of this section shall be empowered to demand of the parent, guardian or other adult person having the care, custody or supervision of ~~such said~~ minor that ~~such said~~ parent, guardian or other adult person appear and take ~~such said~~ minor into custody. Should there be a failure of the parent, guardian or other adult person to appear and take custody of ~~such said~~ minor, the officer may then be empowered to take the minor home or to the Hamilton County Juvenile Court. It shall be unlawful for any such parent, guardian or other adult person having the care, custody or supervision of said minor to fail or refuse to appear and take such minor into custody within two hours after such demand is made upon ~~him said parent~~, unless reasonably hindered from doing so.
- (e) Responsibility of Parent or Guardian. No parent, guardian or other adult person having the care, custody or supervision of a minor shall knowingly permit or by inefficient control allow ~~such said~~ minor to be, or remain in, about or upon any place in the city away from the dwelling house or usual place of abode of said minor in violation of any of the provisions of Sections 911-27(b) ~~or (e)~~.
- (f) Authority of Officer to Transport Minor. Any law enforcement officer who arrests a minor for violating any of the provisions of divisions (b) ~~or (e)~~ of this section, in addition to any other powers ~~he may have already provided by law~~, shall be empowered to transport ~~such said~~ minor to the nearest center designated as a holding facility for curfew violators. The numbers and locations of such centers shall be determined or modified by the Chief of Police based upon need and desirability. The minor shall be released only to a parent, guardian or other adult person having the care, custody or supervision of ~~such said~~ minor, or a person at least 18 years of age designated for such purpose by a parent, guardian or other adult person having the care, custody or supervision of said minor, or an appropriate juvenile agency.
- (g) Penalty.
- (1) Any minor found violating the provisions of divisions (b) ~~or (e)~~ of this section shall be guilty of committing a curfew violation.
- (2) Any parent, guardian or other adult person having the care, custody or supervision of a minor who shall violate the provisions of division (d) of this section shall be

guilty of a minor misdemeanor. Any parent, guardian or other adult person having the care, custody or supervision of a minor who violates the provisions of 911-27(e) shall receive a written warning for the first violation. Any parent, guardian or other adult person having the care, custody or supervision of a minor who violates the provisions of 911-27(e) for the second and any subsequent offenses shall be guilty of a minor misdemeanor.

- (h) Enforcement. Before taking any enforcement action under this section, a law enforcement officer shall ask the apparent offender's age and reason for being in the public place. The officer shall not issue a citation or make an arrest under this section unless the officer reasonably believes that an offense has occurred and that, based on any response and other circumstances, no exception in subsection (c) is present.
- (hi) Monitoring of Effectiveness and Annual Report. The City Manager or the City Manager's designee ~~Department of Safety and Cincinnati Human Relations Commission~~ shall devise and institute a procedure to monitor and evaluate the effectiveness and desirability of the juvenile curfew, and prepare a detailed report for annual submissions to city council.
- (ij) Severability. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or portion of the provisions of this section is for any reason declared by any court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unconstitutional, such section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct, and independent provision, and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining provisions of this section.

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 immediately address juvenile crime and juvenile safety in Cincinnati.

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

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Aftab Pureval, Mayor

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

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Deletions are indicated by strikethrough; additions are indicated by underline.

**Date:** August 5, 2025

**To:** Mayor and Members of City Council 202501572  
**From:** Sheryl M.M. Long, City Manager  
**Subject:** **Emergency Ordinance – Amending CMC Section 911-28 to Add Single Curfew District**

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Transmitted herewith is an emergency ordinance captioned as follows:

**MODIFYING** the provisions of Chapter 911, “Miscellaneous Misdemeanors,” of the Cincinnati Municipal Code by **AMENDING** Section 911-28, “Special Extended Curfew District to Minors,” to address increased juvenile crime and support juvenile safety in the Downtown area in Cincinnati.

cc: Emily Smart Woerner, City Solicitor



EESW/CNS(dmm)  
Attachment  
4898-4876-7064

## EMERGENCY

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**MODIFYING** the provisions of Chapter 911, “Miscellaneous Misdemeanors,” of the Cincinnati Municipal Code by **ORDAINING** new Section 911-28, “Special Extended Curfew District for Minors,” to address increased juvenile crime and support juvenile safety in the Downtown area of Cincinnati.

WHEREAS, ensuring safe and clean communities is a core function of the City; and

WHEREAS, the Downtown area of Cincinnati, including portions of the Central Business District and Over-The-Rhine neighborhoods, is experiencing a disproportionate number and concentration of youth-related calls for service in the evening and overnight; and

WHEREAS, decreasing juvenile crime and supporting juvenile safety are compelling government interests; and

WHEREAS, to protect the public health, safety, and welfare in Cincinnati, Council finds it necessary to provide the City with all appropriate tools necessary to ensure flexibility to combat threats to communities; now, therefore,

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

Section 1. That new Section 911-28, “Special Extended Curfew District for Minors,” of Chapter 911, “Miscellaneous Misdemeanors,” of the Cincinnati Municipal Code is ordained as follows:

### **Sec. 911-28. Special Extended Curfew District for Minors.**

(a) *Definitions.*

- (1) “Minor” shall mean a person who is under the age of 18 years of age.
- (2) “Remain” shall mean to linger or to stay upon a place.
- (3) “Adult” shall mean a person at least 21 years of age.
- (4) “Emergency” shall mean any unforeseen combination of circumstances or the resulting state that calls for immediate action. The term includes, but is not limited to, a fire, a natural disaster, an automobile accident, or any situation requiring immediate action to prevent serious bodily injury or loss of life.

- (5) “Knowingly” shall have the same meaning as defined in Ohio Revised Code Section 2901.22.
  - (6) “Emancipated Minor” shall mean a minor child under the age of 18 years of age and free of parental control.
  - (7) “Special Extended Curfew District” refers to a specially designated area of Cincinnati in which curfew parameters varying from citywide curfew parameters may be imposed.
- (b) It shall be unlawful for any minor under the age of 18 years to be, or remain in, about or upon any place in the city designated a special extended curfew district away from the dwelling house or usual place of abode of said minor, between the hours of 9:00 p.m. and 5:00 a.m. of the following day.
  - (c) *Exceptions.* The provisions of paragraph (b) of this section do not apply to any minor who is:
    - (1) Accompanied by said minor’s parent, guardian, or other adult person having the care, custody, or supervision of said minor;
    - (2) Emancipated;
    - (3) Exercising First Amendment Rights protected by the United States Constitution;
    - (4) Going to or from employment without detour or stop;
    - (5) Attending an official school, religious, or other recreational activity sponsored by the City of Cincinnati, by a civic or public organization or entity, or by another similar organization or entity, which activity is supervised by adults, and/or going to or returning from such an activity without detour or stop;
    - (6) Involved in an emergency;
    - (7) Involved in interstate travel through, or beginning or terminating in, the city;
    - (8) On the sidewalk abutting the minor’s residence or abutting the residence of a next-door neighbor if the neighbor did not complain to the police department about the minor’s presence; or
    - (9) Running an errand or doing any other specific task or activity directed or permitted by said minor’s parent, guardian or other adult person having the care, custody or supervision of said minor.
  - (d) *Parent or Guardian to Take Minor Into Custody.* In addition to any other powers already provided by law, any law enforcement officer who arrests a minor for violating any of the provisions of division (b) of this section shall be empowered to demand of the parent, guardian or other adult person having the care, custody or supervision of said minor that



said parent, guardian or other adult person appear and take said minor into custody. Should there be a failure of the parent, guardian or other adult person to appear and take custody of such minor, the officer may then be empowered to take the minor home or to the Hamilton County Juvenile Court. It shall be unlawful for any such parent, guardian or other adult person having the care, custody or supervision of said minor to fail or refuse to appear and take said minor into custody within two hours after such demand is made upon said parent, unless reasonably hindered from doing so.

- (e) *Responsibility of Parent or Guardian.* No parent, guardian or other adult person having the care, custody or supervision of a minor shall knowingly permit or by inefficient control allow such minor to be, or remain in, about or upon any place in the city designated a special extended curfew district away from the dwelling house or usual place of abode of said minor in violation of any of the provisions of Section 911-28(b).
- (f) *Authority of Officer to Transport Minor.* Any law enforcement officer who arrests a minor for violating any of the provisions of division (b) of this section, in addition to any other powers already provided by law, shall be empowered to transport said minor to the nearest center designated as a holding facility for curfew violators. The numbers and locations of such centers shall be determined or modified by the Chief of Police based upon need and desirability. The minor shall be released only to a parent, guardian or other adult person having the care, custody or supervision of said minor, or a person at least 18 years of age designated for such purpose by a parent, guardian or other adult person having the care, custody or supervision of said minor, or an appropriate juvenile agency.
- (g) *Penalty.*
  - (1) Any minor found violating the provisions of division (b) of this section shall be guilty of committing a curfew violation.
  - (2) Any parent, guardian or other adult person having the care, custody or supervision of a minor who shall violate the provisions of 911-28(d) shall be guilty of a minor misdemeanor. Any parent, guardian or other adult person having the care, custody or supervision of a minor who violates the provisions of 911-28(e) shall receive a written warning for the first violation. Any parent, guardian or other adult person having the care, custody or supervision of a minor who violates the provisions of 911-28(e) for the second and any subsequent offenses shall be guilty of a minor misdemeanor.
- (h) *Enforcement.* Before taking any enforcement action under this section, a law enforcement officer shall ask the apparent offender's age and reason for being in the public place. The officer shall not issue a citation or make an arrest under this section unless the officer reasonably believes that an offense has occurred and that, based on any response and other circumstances, no exception in subsection (c) is present.
- (i) *Monitoring of Effectiveness and Annual Report.* The City Manager or the City Manager's designee shall devise and institute a procedure to monitor and evaluate the effectiveness and desirability of any special extended curfew district, and prepare a detailed report for annual submissions to city council.

- (j) *Severability.* If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or portion of the provisions of this section is for any reason declared by any court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unconstitutional, such section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct, and independent provision, and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining provisions of this section.
- (k) *Downtown Special Extended Curfew District.* There shall be a Downtown Special Extended Curfew District, the perimeter of which is illustrated in attached Map 911-28(k) Downtown Special Extended Curfew District.

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 immediately address juvenile crime and juvenile safety Downtown.

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

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Aftab Pureval, Mayor

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



August 05, 2025

**To:** Members of the Public Safety and Governance Committee 202501547  
**From:** Sheryl M.M. Long, City Manager  
**Subject:** **Emergency Ordinance: Establishing Classifications and Salary Ranges for Private Parking Lot Inspector**

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Attached is an Emergency Ordinance captioned:

**MODIFYING** the provisions of Chapter 307, “Classified Compensation Schedules,” of the Cincinnati Municipal Code by **ORDAINING** new Section 693 of Division 1 to establish the classification title and salary range schedule for the new employment classification of Private Parking Lot Inspector.

The Human Resources Director has approved the request for this ordinance to establish the classification of Private Parking Lot Inspector and salary range. The recommended salary range is based upon a market study to identify current scopes of work and future career paths for the classification structure. The Human Resources Department conducted a market analysis to evaluate the classification and compensation for the Private Parking Lot Inspector position. The classification is necessary to ensure the retention of staff in this specialized area of work.

The Administration recommends passage of this Emergency Ordinance.

cc: Latisha Hazell, HR Director

## EMERGENCY

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**MODIFYING** the provisions of Chapter 307, “Classified Compensation Schedules,” of the Cincinnati Municipal Code by **ORDAINING** new Section 693 of Division 1 to establish the classification title and salary range schedule for the new employment classification of Private Parking Lot Inspector.

WHEREAS, the City’s Human Resources Department, in consultation with the Department of Public Services, has determined that it is necessary to create a new Private Parking Lot Inspector classification to recruit and retain quality employees; and

WHEREAS, the new classification and salary range are necessary to ensure consistency in the knowledge, skills, and abilities required to carry out the duties and tasks prescribed for the position; and

WHEREAS, creation of the Private Parking Lot Inspector classification and salary range provides an opportunity to increase organizational effectiveness while maintaining a standard of excellence and a clear pathway for continued growth and career progression for employees; and

WHEREAS, the Human Resources Department has done its due diligence and conducted appropriate internal comparisons to ensure that the new classification and salary range is consistent with the scope of services and the level of responsibility of this new position, considering factors throughout the evaluation process including the scope of responsibility, judgment, independent action, and accountability associated with the classification; and

WHEREAS, the new classification and salary range for this position is based on a market analysis and internal cost of living adjustment comparison as approved by Council; now, therefore,

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

Section 1. That new Section 693 of Division 1 of Chapter 307, “Classified Compensation Schedules,” of the Cincinnati Municipal Code is ordained as follows:

Section	Classification	Minimum Annual Salary	Maximum Annual Salary	Division
693	Private Parking Lot Inspector	\$56,366.82	\$63,554.22	D1

Section 2. That the proper City officials are authorized to do all things necessary and proper to carry out the terms of Section 1.

Section 3. 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 establish the classification title and salary range schedule of Private Parking Lot Inspector to recruit and retain qualified employees.

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

\_\_\_\_\_  
Aftab Pureval, Mayor

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