

EMERGENCY

City of Cincinnati

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An Ordinance No. _____

- 2022

AUTHORIZING the transfer and return to source Local Fiscal Recovery Fund 469 of the sum of \$1,000,000 from American Rescue Plan grant project account no. 469x101xARP050, “FY 2021 COVID Expenses,” for the purpose of realigning sources with actual uses; **ESTABLISHING** new Local Fiscal Recovery Fund 469 American Rescue Plan grant project account no. 469x101xARP202, “Pedestrian Safety,” for the purpose of providing funds to enhance pedestrian safety efforts to promote improved health and safety outcomes within disproportionately impacted communities in the City and other areas of the City; **AUTHORIZING** the transfer and appropriation of the sum of \$1,000,000 from the unappropriated surplus of Local Fiscal Recovery Fund 469 to newly established American Rescue Plan grant project account no. 469x101xARP202, “Pedestrian Safety,” for the purpose of providing funds to enhance pedestrian safety efforts to promote improved health and safety outcomes within disproportionately impacted communities in the City and other areas of the City; and **DECLARING** expenditures from American Rescue Plan grant project account no. 469x101xARP202, “Pedestrian Safety,” to be for a public purpose.

WHEREAS, the City received funding from the United States Department of the Treasury pursuant to the American Rescue Plan Act as part of the Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund Act; and

WHEREAS, a portion of the funding was appropriated to American Rescue Plan grant project account no. 469x101xARP050, “FY 2021 COVID Expenses,” which was designated to provide fiscal stability for fiscal year 2021; and

WHEREAS, the City’s fiscal year 2021 budget is now closed, so remaining funds identified for fiscal year 2021 fiscal stability are available to be reallocated for other purposes; and

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 pandemic negatively impacted health and safety outcomes within disproportionately impacted low-income communities in the City; and

WHEREAS, according to a study published by the Governor’s Highway Safety Association, pedestrian fatalities have risen substantially during the COVID-19 pandemic, with deaths disproportionately affecting communities of color; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council prioritize the design of safe streets for the purpose of reducing disparities, increasing safe recreational and economic access within neighborhoods, and creating safe places where Cincinnatians of all ages can walk or roll without fear; and

WHEREAS, \$1,000,000 of American Rescue Plan funds are required to enhance pedestrian safety efforts, and direct expenditures of these funds can be used to address negative health and safety outcomes within disproportionately impacted communities in the City due to the

COVID-19 pandemic and revenue replacement can be used to enhance pedestrian safety efforts in other areas of the City; now, therefore,

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

Section 1. That the sum of \$1,000,000 is hereby transferred and returned to source Local Fiscal Recovery Fund 469 from American Rescue Plan grant project account no. 469x101xARP050, "FY 2021 COVID Expenses," for the purpose of realigning sources with actual uses.

Section 2. That the Director of Finance is hereby authorized to establish new Local Fiscal Recovery Fund 469 American Rescue Plan grant project account no. 469x101xARP202, "Pedestrian Safety," for the purpose of providing funds to enhance pedestrian safety efforts to promote improved health and safety outcomes within disproportionately impacted communities in the City and other areas of the City.

Section 3. That the sum of \$1,000,000 is hereby transferred and appropriated from the unappropriated surplus of Local Fiscal Recovery Fund 469 to newly established American Rescue Plan grant project account no. 469x101xARP202, "Pedestrian Safety," for the purpose of providing funds to enhance pedestrian safety efforts to promote improved health and safety outcomes within disproportionately impacted communities in the City and other areas of the City.

Section 4. That expenditures from American Rescue Plan grant project account no. 469x101xARP202, "Pedestrian Safety," are hereby declared to be for a public purpose because enhanced pedestrian safety efforts promote improved health and safety outcomes within disproportionately impacted communities in the City and alleviate adverse impacts caused by the COVID-19 pandemic and also promote improved health and safety outcomes in other areas of the City.

Section 5. That the proper City officials are authorized to do all things necessary and proper to carry out the terms of Sections 1 through 4 hereof.

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, be effective immediately. The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to implement authorized American Rescue Plan-related support programs and projects.

Passed: _____, 2022

Aftab Pureval, Mayor

Attest: _____
Clerk