

EMERGENCY

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AUTHORIZING the City Manager to accept and appropriate a grant of up to \$238,283.88 from the Hamilton County ReSource Residential Recycling Incentive grant program to provide resources for recycling education and awareness, residential recycling, drop-off recycling, yard waste, food waste, composting, waste reduction, litter collection, and the labor, equipment, and materials to support these efforts; and **AUTHORIZING** the Director of Finance to deposit the grant resources into General Fund revenue account no. 050x8782, Office of Environment and Sustainability project account no. 26HamCoRRI, “FY 2026 Hamilton County RRI Grant.”

WHEREAS, on April 22, 2026, Council passed Ordinance No. 116-2026, which authorized the City Manager to apply for a grant of up to \$300,000 from the Hamilton County ReSource Residential Recycling Incentive (“RRI”) grant program to provide resources for recycling education and awareness, residential recycling, drop-off recycling, yard waste, food waste, composting, waste reduction, litter collection, and the labor, equipment, and materials to support these efforts; and

WHEREAS, and the City applied for the grant and was awarded grant funds of up to \$238,283.88, however no funds will be accepted without approval by Council; and

WHEREAS, this grant supports the implementation of the Green Cincinnati Plan, and advances the goal of the City to achieve carbon neutrality by 2050; and

WHEREAS, this grant does not require matching resources, and there are no new FTEs/full time equivalents associated with this grant; and

WHEREAS, providing resources for waste diversion programs is in accordance with the “Sustain” goal to “[b]ecome a healthier Cincinnati” and strategy to “[c]reate a healthy environment and reduce energy consumption” as described on pages 181-185 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 accept and appropriate a grant of up to \$238,283.88 from the Hamilton County ReSource Residential Recycling Incentive grant program to provide resources for recycling education and awareness, residential recycling, drop-off recycling, yard waste, food waste, composting, waste reduction, litter collection, and the labor, equipment, and materials to support these efforts.

Section 2. That the Director of Finance is authorized to deposit the grant resources into General Fund revenue account no. 050x8782, Office of Environment and Sustainability project account no. 26HamCoRRI, “FY 2026 Hamilton County RRI Grant.”

Section 3. That the proper City officials are authorized to do all things necessary and proper to carry out 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 and appropriate grant resources to meet grant program timelines.

Passed: _____, 2026

Aftab Pureval, Mayor

Attest: _____
Clerk