

# **City of Cincinnati**

801 Plum Street Cincinnati, Ohio 45202

### **CALENDAR**

# **Cincinnati City Council**

Wednesday, March 27, 2024

2:00 PM

Council Chambers, Room 300

#### REVISED

**ROLL CALL** 

#### PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

FILING OF THE JOURNAL

**MAYOR AFTAB** 

MS. KEARNEY

MS. ALBI

MR. CRAMERDING

MR. HARRIS

MR. JEFFREYS

MR. JOHNSON

**MS. OWENS** 

MS. PARKS

MR. WALSH

**1.** 202400981

**RESOLUTION**, submitted by Mayor Aftab Pureval, Vice Mayor Kearney, Councilmembers Albi, Cramerding, Harris, Jeffreys, Johnson, Owens, Parks and Walsh, from Emily Smart Woerner, City Solicitor, **RECOGNIZING** Hamilton County Auditor Brigid Kelly and EXPRESSING the appreciation of the Mayor and Council of the City of Cincinnati for her dedicated career in public service and commitment to representing the citizens of Cincinnati, Norwood, Hamilton County, and the State of Ohio.

**Recommendation PASS** 

**Sponsors:** Mayor, Kearney, Albi, Cramerding, Harris, Jeffreys, Johnson, Owens, Parks and Walsh

MS. OWENS

#### MS. KEARNEY

#### MR. JOHNSON

**2.** <u>202400957</u> **RESOLUTION**, submitted by Councilmember Owens, Vice Mayor Kearney and

Councilmember Johnson, from Emily Smart Woerner, City Solicitor,

**RECOGNIZING** the Purcell Marian High School Cavaliers girls' basketball team as the 2024 Division II state champions and **EXPRESSING** the appreciation of the Mayor and Council for the team as a leading force in girls' basketball and overall athletics in the City of Cincinnati, the State of Ohio, the

Midwest Region, and across the country.

Recommendation PASS

**Sponsors:** Owens, Kearney and Johnson

#### MR. JOHNSON

**3.** 202400973 **RESOLUTION**, submitted by Councilmember Johnson, from Emily Smart

Woerner, City Solicitor, **RECOGNIZING** the impact and community contributions of the Fourth District of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc.

**Recommendation** PASS

Sponsors: Johnson

#### MS. OWENS

**4.** <u>202400967</u> **ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY)**, submitted by Councilmember Owens, from

Emily Smart Woerner, City Solicitor, **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager and the employees of the Office of Councilmember Owens to solicit and accept donations of money, in-kind contributions, and other things of value from the Cincinnati business community, individual benefactors, and other available sources to host Human Services Day; and **AUTHORIZING** the Director of Finance to deposit funds donated to the City for Human Services Day into

Fund No. 314, "Special Events."

**Recommendation BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE** 

**Sponsors:** Owens

**5.** <u>202400983</u> **MOTION**, submitted by Councilmember Owens, **WE MOVE** that the

administration prepare a report within sixty (60) days on how Report #202400403 entitled Supplemental Report on the Department of Building and Inspections Code Enforcement Process and Chronic Offenders and the correlation between rental and utility assistance dollars that are granted to the residents of those properties from Jan. 1, 2020, to December 6th, 2023.

(BALANCE ON FILE IN THE CLERK'S OFFICE) (STATEMENT ATTACHED)

Recommendation CLIMATE, ENVIRONMENT & INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE

Sponsors: Owens

# MS. KEARNEY MAYOR AFTAB

#### MR. JEFFREYS

**6.** <u>202400924</u> **MOTION**, submitted by Vice Mayor Kearney, Mayor Aftab Pureval and

Councilmember Jeffreys, **WE MOVE** that Cincinnati City Council reallocate and approve the transfer of one million dollars (\$1,000,000) from the Housing Stability Capital Account to the General Fund to provide payment assistance to eligible Cincinnati homeowners for the past due property taxes for

owner-occupied 1-4 family residences. (BALANCE ON FILE IN THE CLERK'S

OFFICE) (STATEMENT ATTACHED)

**Recommendation BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE** 

**Sponsors:** Kearney, Mayor and Jeffreys

**MS. KEARNEY** 

MR. JOHNSON

**MS. PARKS** 

7. 202400982 MOTION, submitted by Vice Mayor Kearney, Councilmembers Johnson and

Parks, **WE MOVE** that the City of Cincinnati reposition the Center for Closing the Health Gap as a line item in its operating budget - as it was historically - and remove it from the category of Human Services. The Center for Closing the Health Gap is not a human services provider. Rather, its mission is to eliminate racial and health disparities in the Greater Cincinnati community through education, advocacy, and outreach targeting the African American, Latino, and White Appalachian populations. The vision of Closing the Health Gap is to make Greater Cincinnati a healthier region for all. (STATEMENT

ATTACHED)

**Recommendation BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE** 

**Sponsors:** Kearney, Johnson and Parks

#### **CITY MANAGER**

Item held on the Calendar for one week

**8.** 202400817 **APPOINTMENT**, dated 3/20/2024 submitted Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager,

regarding the appointment of Gérald Checco to the Urban Forestry Advisory

Board under the community representative qualifications. (White/Male)

**Recommendation** CONFIRM

**Sponsors:** City Manager

**9.** <u>202400615</u> **REPORT,** dated 3/27/2024 submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on

a communication from the State of Ohio, Division of Liquor Control, advising of a permit application for Almost VGan LLC, 34 E. Court Street. (#0139875,

New, D5J) [Objections: Yes]

Recommendation FILE

**Sponsors:** City Manager

**10.** 202400918

**REPORT**, dated 3/27/2024 submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on a communication from the State of Ohio, Division of Liquor Control, advising of a permit application for Rhythm and Booze LLC, 3187 Linwood Avenue (#7306390, Stock, D5 D6) [Objections: None]

Recommendation FILE

**Sponsors:** City Manager

**11.** 202400919

**REPORT**, dated 3/27/2024 submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on a communication from the State of Ohio, Division of Liquor Control, advising of a permit application for Cincinnati Park Board Maple Ridge Lodge, 3040 Westwood Northern Blvd. (#14934070002, Temp, F8) [Objections: None]

Recommendation FILE

**Sponsors:** City Manager

**12.** <u>202400920</u> **REPORT**, dated 3/27/2024, submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager,

regarding Special Event Permit Application for Sayler Park Sustains.

Recommendation FILE

**Sponsors:** City Manager

13. 202400928 REPORT, dated 3/27/2024 submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on

a communication from the State of Ohio, Division of Liquor Control, advising of a permit application for Okini Cincy Inc., DBA Okini Sushi & BBQ, 3501 Erie

Avenue. (#6526736, TRFO, D1 D2 D3 D6) [Objections: None]

Recommendation FILE

**Sponsors:** City Manager

14. 202400930 REPORT, dated 3/27/2024 submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on

a communication from the State of Ohio, Division of Liquor Control, advising of a permit application for Sidelines Tavern LLC, DBA Sidelines Tavern,3095 Glenmore Avenue 1st floor. (#8126709, TRFO, D1 D2 D3 D3A D6)

[Objections: None]

Recommendation FILE

**Sponsors:** City Manager

**15.** 202400934 **ORDINANCE**, submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 3/27/2024,

**AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant of up to \$1,814,329 from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency, FY 2023 Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program (ALN 97.044) to provide resources for the purchase of a heavy rescue apparatus and for professional development training for career firefighters; and **AUTHORIZING** the Director of Finance to deposit the grant resources into Fire Grants and Donations Fund 472, revenue account no.

472x8542.

**Recommendation BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE** 

**Sponsors:** City Manager

**16.** 202400935 **ORDINANCE**, submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 3/27/2024

**AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant of \$150,000 from the Talent for Tomorrow Digital Equity Challenge through the

United States Conference of Mayors in collaboration with Comcast's Project UP to establish a paid cooperative program for information technology (IT) positions within the City's Enterprise Technology Solutions (ETS) and Office of Performance and Data Analytics (OPDA); and **AUTHORIZING** the Director of Finance to deposit the grant funds into Citizens Jobs Fund revenue account no. 308x8571.

**Recommendation BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE** 

**Sponsors:** City Manager

17. 202400936 RESOLUTION (LEGISLATIVE) (EMERGENCY) submitted by Sheryl M. M.

Long, City Manager, on 3/27/2024, **OBJECTING** to the renewal of the D5J and D6 liquor permit number 5931167 applied for by Midwest Textiles Warehouse,

LLC d/b/a Drip Coffee Lounge to the Ohio Division of Liquor Control.

**Recommendation PUBLIC SAFETY & GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE** 

**Sponsors:** City Manager

**18.** <u>202400937</u> **RESOLUTION (LEGISLATIVE) (EMERGENCY)** submitted by Sheryl M. M.

Long, City Manager, on 3/27/2024, **OBJECTING** to the renewal of the D5, D6 class liquor permit number 2600009 applied for by Risconi Bar and Kitchen,

LLC to the Ohio Division of Liquor Control.

Recommendation PUBLIC SAFETY & GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

**Sponsors:** City Manager

**19.** 202400938 **ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY)**, submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager,

on 3/27/2024, **AUTHORIZING** the establishment of capital improvement program project account no. 980x199x241916, "Ohio River Trail - ODNR RTP Grant," to provide grant resources for the construction of a foot trail connecting a segment of the Ohio River Trail into a complete loop; **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant of up to \$150,000 from the State of Ohio, Ohio Department of Natural Resources Recreation Trails Program (ALN 20.219) to newly established capital improvement program project account no. 980x199x241916, "Ohio River Trail - ODNR RTP Grant"; and **AUTHORIZING** the Finance Director to deposit the grant

resources of up to \$150,000 into newly established capital improvement program project account no. 980x199x241916, "Ohio River Trail - ODNR RTP

Grant."

**Recommendation** BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

**Sponsors:** City Manager

**20.** <u>202400940</u> **ORDINANCE**, submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 3/27/2024,

**ESTABLISHING** capital improvement program project account no.

980x233x242347, "River Rd Crossings Safety Imprvmnts - CRISI," for the purpose of rebuilding existing traffic signals with railroad pre-emption, making equipment improvements at grade crossings, and increasing storage capacity for vehicles exiting the Anderson Ferry onto River Road; **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to accept and appropriate grant resources of up to \$6,067,200

awarded by the U.S. Department of Transportation Federal Railroad

Administration under the Consolidated Rail Infrastructure and Safety Improvements (CRISI) Program (ALN 20.325) to newly established capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x242347, "River Rd Crossings Safety Improvement - CRISI"; and **AUTHORIZING** the Director of Finance to deposit the grant resources into capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x242347, "River Rd Crossings Safety Improvement - CRISI."

**Recommendation** BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE.

**Sponsors:** City Manager

#### **CLERK OF COUNCIL**

**21.** 202400974 **STATEMENT**, submitted by the Clerk of Council formally filing a copy of the

Financial Disclosure Statement for Daniel Gerard Jones/Recreation

Engineering/Division Manager.

Recommendation FILE

**Sponsors:** Clerk of Council

**22.** 202400975 **STATEMENT**, submitted by the Clerk of Council formally filing a copy of the

Financial Disclosure Statement for Mark Stephan Jeffreys/Cincinnati City

Council.

Recommendation FILE

Sponsors: Clerk of Council

23. 202400976 STATEMENT, submitted by the Clerk of Council formally filing a copy of the

Financial Disclosure Statement for Doris Adotey/HR/Division Manager.

Recommendation FILE

**Sponsors:** Clerk of Council

**24.** 202400977 **STATEMENT**, submitted by the Clerk of Council formally filing a copy of the

Financial Disclosure Statement for Arthur D. Dahlberg/Buildings and

Inspections/Director.

Recommendation FILE

**Sponsors:** Clerk of Council

**25.** 202400978 **STATEMENT**, submitted by the Clerk of Council formally filing a copy of the

Financial Disclosure Statement for Teia JaLise Letcher/Buildings &

Inspections/Division Manager.

Recommendation FILE

**Sponsors:** Clerk of Council

26. 202400984 STATEMENT, submitted by the Clerk of Council formally filing a copy of the

Financial Disclosure Statement for Maria Meyer/GCWW/Principal Engineer.

Recommendation FILE

Sponsors: Clerk of Council

27. 202400985 STATEMENT, submitted by the Clerk of Council formally filing a copy of the

Financial Disclosure Statement for Rodney D. Ringer/Development Services

Manager/Acting Building Plans Examination Division Manager.

Recommendation FILE

Sponsors: Clerk of Council

28. 202400986 STATEMENT, submitted by the Clerk of Council formally filing a copy of the

Financial Disclosure Statement for Samuel Jonathan Stephens/GCWW/Deputy

Director.

Recommendation FILE

Sponsors: Clerk of Council

**29.** 202400987 **REGISTRATION**, submitted by the Clerk of Council from Legislative Agent

Douglas Moormann, Development Strategies Group, Vice President, 700 Walnut Street, Suite 450, Cincinnati, Ohio 45202. (CIG Communities)

Recommendation FILE

Sponsors: Clerk of Council

**30.** 202400988 **REGISTRATION**, submitted by the Clerk of Council from Legislative Agent

Douglas Moormann, Development Strategies Group, Vice President, 700 Walnut Street, Suite 450, Cincinnati, Ohio 45202. (The Kroger Community)

Recommendation FILE

Sponsors: Clerk of Council

#### **BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE**

**31.** 202400879 **ORDINANCE**, submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 3/20/2024,

**AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to accept a donation of up to \$2,785 from the Trust for Public Land ("TPL") to reimburse travel expenses for Parks Department employees to attend the TPL Park Equity Accelerator meeting on April 23-25, 2024 in New York; **AUTHORIZING** the Director of Finance to deposit the donated funds into General Fund 050 revenue account no. 8571, "Contributions - Specific Purpose"; and **AUTHORIZING** the transfer and appropriation of up to \$2,785 from the unappropriated surplus of the General Fund to the Parks Department General Fund non-personnel operating budget

account no. 050x201x7200.

Recommendation PASS

**Sponsors:** City Manager

**32.** 202400880 **ORDINANCE**, submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 3/20/2024,

**AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to accept in-kind donations and contributions of artwork, horticultural supplies, other miscellaneous supplies, and rental services from the Cincinnati Parks Foundation, valued at approximately

\$124,341.41 to benefit various City parks.

**Recommendation PASS** 

**Sponsors:** City Manager

**33.** 202400878 **ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY)**, submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager,

on 3/20/2024, **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager and employees of the Cincinnati Recreation Commission to solicit and accept donations of money, sponsorships, in-kind contributions, team registration fees, vendor fees, and other things of value from the Cincinnati business community, individual

benefactors, and other appropriate sources to provide resources to support the Queen City Slam Basketball Tournament; and **AUTHORIZING** the Director of Finance to deposit the resources donated to or generated by the event into

Fund No. 319, "Contributions for Recreation Purposes."

**Recommendation PASS EMERGENCY** 

Sponsors: City Manager

34. 202400883 **ORDINANCE** submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 3/20/2024,

**AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to apply for and accept in-kind services in

the form of a technical assistance scholarship provided by Center for

Community Progress.

**Recommendation PASS** 

Sponsors: City Manager

35. 202400942 ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY) (B VERSION), submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long,

City Manager, on 3/25/2024, **AUTHORIZING** the transfer and return to source

of \$205,000 from capital improvement program project account no.

980x164x221616, "King Records Building Restoration," to the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050; AUTHORIZING the transfer and appropriation of

\$205,000 from the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050 to the

Department of Community and Economic Development FY 2024

non-personnel operating budget account no. 050x164x7200 to provide resources for professional services and operating support to allow King Records Legacy, Inc. d/b/a King Records Legacy Foundation to undertake pre-development activities related to the eventual renovation of the former King

Records building; and **DECLARING** that the King Records Legacy, Inc. d/b/a King Records Legacy Foundation's pre-development activities related to the eventual renovation of the former King Records building serve a public

purpose because the eventual renovation of the former King Records building will foster local improvements and investment and increase neighborhood

vitality.

Recommendation PASS EMERGENCY

Sponsors: City Manager

36. 202400898 RESOLUTION (LEGISLATIVE) submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City

> Manager, on 3/20/2024, **DECLARING** the necessity of assessing properties in Lighting Group 1 that benefit from special street lighting within the City of Cincinnati for the cost of such lighting for the three-year period beginning

August 1, 2023.

Recommendation PASS

Sponsors: City Manager

37. 202400896 **ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY)** submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager,

> on 3/20/2024, APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING the City Manager to execute a Community Reinvestment Area Tax Exemption Agreement (LEED or Living Building Challenge) with Cincinnati Curated, LLC, thereby authorizing a 15-year tax exemption for 100% of the value of improvements made to real property located at 34 W Court Street in the Central Business District of Cincinnati, in connection with the remodeling of an existing building into approximately 629 square feet of commercial space and approximately 5,566 square feet of residential space, consisting of 5 residential units, which

remodeling shall be completed in compliance with Leadership in Energy and

Environmental Design Silver, Gold or Platinum standards or Living Building Challenge Standards, at a total remodeling cost of approximately \$845,456.

**Recommendation PASS EMERGENCY** 

**Sponsors:** City Manager

**38.** 202400909 **MOTION**, submitted by Councilmembers Owens, Walsh and Harris, **WE** 

**MOVE** that the administration prepare a report within sixty (60) days on the feasibility of the Philadelphia Housing Develop Corporation's (PHDC) Rental Improvement Fund (RIF) being implemented in the City of Cincinnati.

(BALANCE ON FILE IN THE CLERK'S OFFICE) (STATEMENT ATTACHED).

Recommendation ADOPT

**Sponsors:** Owens, Walsh and Harris

**39.** 202400916 **MOTION**, submitted by Councilmember Walsh, Vice Mayor Kearney and

Councilmember Owens, **WE MOVE** that the administration produces a report within thirty (30) days on the feasibility of assuming operations of the 4th of July fireworks celebration in Ault Park from the Ault Park Advisory Council (APAC), Hyde Park Neighborhood Council (HPNC), and Mt. Lookout

Community Council (MLCC). (BALANCE ON FILE IN THE CLERK'S OFFICE)

(STATEMENT ATTACHED).

Recommendation ADOPT

**Sponsors:** Walsh, Kearney and Owens

#### SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS

## **CLIMATE, ENVIRONMENT & INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE**

**40.** <u>202400828</u> **ORDINANCE** submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 3/13/2024,

MODIFYING Chapter 507, "One-Way Streets," of the Cincinnati Municipal Code by AMENDING Section 507-1-F, "Fifteenth Street, west from Vine Street to Central Parkway," to convert the portion of Fifteenth Street located between Walnut Street and Vine Street in the Over-the-Rhine neighborhood from a

two-way street to a westbound one-way street.

**Recommendation** PASS

**Sponsors:** City Manager

## **EQUITABLE GROWTH & HOUSING COMMITTEE**

#### Item on Pursuant to Rule 10.8

41. 202400567 ORDINANCE submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 2/22/2024,

**AMENDING** the official zoning map of the City of Cincinnati to rezone certain real property located at 3060 Durrell Avenue in the Evanston neighborhood from the RMX, "Residential Mixed," zoning district to Planned Development District No. 98, "The Mingo." (Subject to the <u>Temporary Prohibition List</u>

<a href="https://www.cincinnati-oh.gov/law/ethics/city-business">https://www.cincinnati-oh.gov/law/ethics/city-business</a>)

**Recommendation** ON PURSUANT TO RULE 10.8

**Sponsors:** City Manager

# **Item on Pursuant to Rule 10.10**

**42.** <u>202400917</u> **REPORT**, dated 3/26/2024, submitted Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager,

regarding Financing Options for The Mingo. (Ref. Doc. #202400567).

**Recommendation** ON PURSUANT TO RULE 10.10

**Sponsors:** City Manager

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Adjournment