



City of Cincinnati

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Cincinnati, OH 45202

Agenda - Final

Budget and Finance Committee

Chairperson David Mann
Vice Chair Chris Seelbach
Councilmember Steve Goodin
Councilmember Jan-Michele Kearney
Councilmember Liz Keating
Councilmember Greg Landsman
Councilmember Betsy Sundermann
Councilmember Wendell Young

Monday, September 13, 2021

1:00 PM

Council Chambers, Room 300

ROLL CALL

The Economic Development Reform Panel

Judge Tracey, Judge Guckenberger and Bernadette Watson

AGENDA

- [202102643](#) ORDINANCE, dated 8/26/2021, submitted by Councilmember Goodin, from Andrew W. Garth, City Solicitor, MODIFYING Title I, "Council and Corporation Miscellany," by enacting new Chapter 119, "Prohibition on the Solicitation or Acceptance of Campaign Contributions from Persons with a Financial Interest in City Business," of the Cincinnati Municipal Code to restore public trust in elected officials by prohibiting the solicitation or acceptance of campaign contributions from persons having a financial interest in City business while it is pending before Council; and MODIFYING Section 1501-8, "Class C-1 Civil Offenses," of Title XV, "Code Compliance and Hearings," of the Cincinnati Municipal Code to establish penalties for certain violations of Chapter 119.

Sponsors: Goodin

Attachments: [Transmittal](#)
[Ordinance](#)
- [202102726](#) REPORT, dated 9/8/2021, submitted by Paula Boggs Muething, City Manager, regarding FY 2021 Carryover to FY 2022 Report

Sponsors: City Manager

Attachments: [Transmittal](#)

3. [202102757](#) ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY) submitted by Paula Boggs Muething, City Manager, on 9/9/2021, PROVIDING for potential income tax refund claims for calendar year 2021 based on state legislation authorizing such refund claims for taxpayers whose employers withheld municipal income tax for the City of Cincinnati even though the underlying income may not be taxable by the City of Cincinnati due to work location during calendar year 2021 by notwithstanding the provisions of Sections 2, 14, 15, and 16 of Ordinance No. 0213-2019, which amended the policy of managing the Stabilization Funds for the City of Cincinnati and established the Waterfall Funding Mechanism for funding the Stabilization Funds, to establish a new balance sheet reserve account no. 050x3421, "Income Tax Reserve for Refunds," within the General Fund 050 as one of the City's Stabilization Funds and to authorize the transfer of funds to the newly established "Income Tax Reserve for Refunds" balance sheet reserve account; AUTHORIZING the transfer of the sum of \$50,015,389 from the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050 to balance sheet reserve account no. 050x3421, "Income Tax Reserve for Refunds," for the purpose of providing resources for income tax refunds to taxpayers whose employers withheld municipal income tax for the City of Cincinnati even though the underlying income may not be taxable by the City of Cincinnati due to work location during calendar year 2021; AUTHORIZING the transfer of the sum of \$3,162,738 from the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050 to the unappropriated surplus of Working Capital Reserve Fund 754 for the purpose of increasing the City's working capital reserve; AUTHORIZING the transfer of the sum of \$3,258,579 from the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050 to balance sheet reserve account no. 050x2585, "Economic Downturn Reserve," for the purpose of increasing the City's emergency reserve; AUTHORIZING the transfer of the sum of \$4,397,435 from the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050 to balance sheet reserve account no. 050x2580, "Reserve for Weather Events, Other Emergency and One-Time Needs," for the purpose of providing resources for unanticipated emergencies including those caused by unusual weather events, in order to increase the City's reserve; AUTHORIZING the appropriation of the sum of \$1,062,737 from the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050 to the various General Fund operating budget accounts according to the attached Section A of the General Fund Operating Budget Schedule of Appropriation for the purpose of providing funds for: the Department of Human Resources for sworn testing (\$45,237) and the HR Centralization Initiative (\$102,500); the Department of Parks for a mower and other maintenance equipment (\$22,000); the Cincinnati Police Department for records management software to be used in conjunction with the Law Department (\$85,000); the City Manager's Office for leveraged support to the Chamber of Commerce - Immigration Center Partnership (COMPASS) (\$50,000), funding for the Manager's Advisory Group (MAG) for a Youth Violence Reduction Initiative

(\$200,000), funding for the Cincinnati Citizens Respect Our Witnesses (CCROW) program (\$208,000), and funding for Equitas Health for a Mobile Outreach Vehicle (MOVE) to provide for the health care needs of those living with HIV or at risk of HIV transmission (\$100,000); and the Department of Public Services for a safe and clean neighborhood fund (\$250,000); AUTHORIZING the transfer and return to source Fund 758 of the sum of \$525,000 from various capital improvement program project accounts according to the attached Section A of the Capital Budget Schedule of Transfer for the purpose of realigning the expenditures sought within the various scopes of work associated with certain projects to utilize operating budget resources as opposed to capital resources; ESTABLISHING new capital improvement program project account no. 980x164x221616, "King Records Building Restoration," for the purpose of providing resources to preserve, restore, and renovate the former King Records building in the Evanston neighborhood; AUTHORIZING the transfer and appropriation of the sum of \$1,000,000 from the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050 and Income Tax Capital Fund 758 to new capital improvement program project account no. 980x164x221616, "King Records Building Restoration," for the purpose of providing resources to preserve, restore, and renovate the former King Records building in the Evanston neighborhood according to the attached Section B of the Capital Budget Schedule of Transfer; DECLARING expenditures from capital improvement program project account no. 980x164x221616, "King Records Building Restoration," to be for a public purpose; AUTHORIZING the appropriation of the sum of \$525,000 from the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050 to the various General Fund operating budget accounts according to the attached Section B of the General Fund Operating Budget Schedule of Appropriation for the purpose of realigning the expenditures sought within the various scopes of work associated with certain projects to utilize operating budget resources instead of capital resources; ESTABLISHING new capital improvement program project account no. 980x164x221606, "Cincinnati Contemporary Arts Center," for the purpose of providing resources to renovate the 6th floor Creativity Center at the Contemporary Arts Center; AUTHORIZING the transfer and appropriation of the sum of \$100,000 from the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050 to new capital improvement program project account no. 980x164x221606, "Cincinnati Contemporary Arts Center" for the purpose of providing resources to renovate the 6th floor Creativity Center at the Contemporary Arts Center; DECLARING expenditures from capital improvement program project account no. 980x164x221606, "Cincinnati Contemporary Arts Center," to be for a public purpose; ESTABLISHING new capital improvement program project account no. 980x232x222353, "Central Parkway Streetscape," for the purpose of providing resources for the design and construction of streetscape improvements on Central Parkway in the area of the FC Cincinnati stadium; AUTHORIZING the

transfer and appropriation of the sum of \$1,000,000 from the unappropriated surplus of the General Fund to new capital improvement program project account 980x232x222353, "Central Parkway Streetscape," for the purpose of providing resources for the design and construction of streetscape improvements on Central Parkway in the area of the FC Cincinnati stadium; ESTABLISHING new capital improvement program project account no. 980x203x222009, "Freedom Center Park," for the purpose of providing resources for the design and construction of improvements to the park located adjacent to the Freedom Center; AUTHORIZING the transfer and appropriation of the sum of \$1,000,000 from the unappropriated surplus of Downtown South/Riverfront Equivalent Fund 481 to new capital improvement program project account no. 980x203x222009, "Freedom Center Park," for the purpose of providing resources for Freedom Center Park at the Banks; and DECLARING expenditures from capital improvement program project account no. 980x203x222009, "Freedom Center Park," to be for a public purpose and constitute a "Public Infrastructure Improvement" (as defined in Section 5709.40(A)(8) of the Ohio Revised Code), that will benefit and/or serve the District 2-Downtown South/Riverfront District Incentive District, subject to compliance with Ohio Revised Code Sections 5709.40 through 5709.43.

Sponsors: City Manager

Attachments: [Transmittal](#)
[Ordinance](#)
[Schedule of Transfer Section A and B](#)
[Schedule of Appropriation Section A](#)
[Schedule of Appropriation Section B](#)

4. [202102708](#) MOTION, submitted by Councilmember Sundermann, WE MOVE the Administration use available closeout dollars to first prioritize the funding of additional recruits for Fire Recruit Class #118 scheduled to start in September, 2021 and Fire Recruit Class #119 scheduled to start in April, 2022 to ensure that each of the class sizes reach the maximum of 60 recruits. WE FURTHER MOVE that the Administration continue to pursue SAFER grant funding opportunities when available to assist in offsetting the cost of those recruit classes. (STATEMENT ATTACHED)

Sponsors: Sundermann

Attachments: [Motion - Sundermann](#)

5. [202102469](#) MOTION, submitted by Councilmembers Kearney and Keating, WE MOVE that City Council allocate to Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Cincinnati \$2,250,000 for the creation of a Boys and Girls Club in the community of Roll Hill from the Carryover Budget of fiscal year 2021, or from another source immediately identified by City Administration, including reserve funds. (STATEMENT ATTACHED).
- Sponsors:** Kearney and Keating
- Attachments:** [Motion](#)
[File Summary](#)
6. [202102269](#) REPORT, dated 6/23/2021, submitted by Paula Boggs Muething, City Manager, regarding Motion for spin bicycles and Red Bike program expansion. (See Doc. #202101653)
- Sponsors:** City Manager
- Attachments:** [Report- Red Bike and Spin Bicycles](#)
7. [202102715](#) MOTION, submitted by Councilmember Landsman, Investing in Community-Driven Safety Plans to Reduce Crime & Violence. In addition to expanded efforts to get illegal guns off our streets and other safety measures the City is pursuing, WE HEREBY MOVE the Administration, working with its many capable and diverse partners, establish a renewed effort to support community-led violence reduction efforts. (BALANCE ON FILE IN CLERK'S OFFICE) (STATEMENT ATTACHED)
- Sponsors:** Landsman
- Attachments:** [Motion Updated Investing in Community-Driven Safety Plans](#)
8. [202102698](#) ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY) submitted by Paula Boggs Muething, City Manager, on 9/9/2021, PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE, SALE AND DELIVERY OF NOT TO EXCEED \$500,000 OF JUDGMENT BONDS, OR NOTES IN ANTICIPATION THEREOF, OF THE CITY OF CINCINNATI, COUNTY OF HAMILTON, STATE OF OHIO, FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING A FINAL JUDGMENT AND COSTS ASSOCIATED THEREWITH; AUTHORIZING A PLEDGE OF THE CITY'S FAITH AND CREDIT OR A PLEDGE OF AND LIEN ON CERTAIN REVENUES AND OTHER CITY RESOURCES, AS APPROPRIATE, TO SECURE SUCH BONDS OR NOTES; AND AUTHORIZING NECESSARY DOCUMENTS TO SECURE SUCH BONDS OR NOTES.
- Sponsors:** City Manager
- Attachments:** [Transmittal](#)
[Attachment](#)

9. [202102699](#) ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY) submitted by Paula Boggs Muething, City Manager, on 9/9/2021, AUTHORIZING the receipt of judgment bond proceeds in the amount of \$500,000 into Judgment Bond Fund 815; and AUTHORIZING the expenditure of the sum of \$500,000 from Judgment Bond Fund 815 for the purpose of making payments for settlements and judgments against the City.
- Sponsors:** City Manager
- Attachments:** [Transmittal](#)
[Ordinance](#)
10. [202102700](#) ORDINANCE submitted by Paula Boggs Muething, City Manager, on 9/9/2021, AUTHORIZING the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant in the amount of up to \$180,000 in FY 2022 Office of Law Enforcement Recruitment funds from the State of Ohio, Department of Public Safety, Office of Criminal Justice Services, for the purpose of developing the police recruiting process, specifically the College to Law Enforcement Pathway Program (Cadet Program), to enhance the recruitment of women and minorities.
- Sponsors:** City Manager
- Attachments:** [Transmittal](#)
[Ordinance](#)
11. [202102712](#) ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY) submitted by Paula Boggs Muething, City Manager, on 9/9/2021, TO LEVY special assessments to pay for the costs of implementing the 2022-2025 Services Plan for the Downtown Cincinnati Improvement District in accordance with Chapters 727 and Chapter 1710 of the Ohio Revised Code.
- Sponsors:** City Manager
- Attachments:** [Transmittal](#)
[Ordinance](#)
[Exhibit A](#)
12. [202102713](#) ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY) submitted by Paula Boggs Muething, City Manager, on 9/9/2021, DETERMINING to proceed with the assessment of properties in the Downtown Cincinnati Improvement District to implement the 2022-2025 Services Plan for the district in accordance with Chapters 727 and Chapter 1710 of the Ohio Revised Code.
- Sponsors:** City Manager
- Attachments:** [Transmittal](#)
[Ordinance](#)

13. [202102716](#) COMMUNICATION, dated 7/30/2021, submitted by Clerk of Council, from Various Citizens objecting and withdrawing objection to the 2022-2025 Services Plan for the Downtown Cincinnati Improvement District in accordance with Chapters 727 and Chapter 1710 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Sponsors: Clerk of Council

Attachments: [Communication](#)

14. [202102758](#) MOTION, dated 09/07/2021, submitted by Councilmember Keating, As the Administration moves forward with traffic calming measures and infrastructure updates within the city, WE MOVE for the administration to investigate new sustainable infrastructure innovations that provide storm water management through absorption and flow control including (but not limited to) the utilization and implementation of soil cells, urban watersheds, urban rain gardens, bioretention, and permeable pavement. As we continue to see heavy rains and continuous flooding, impacting our residents and businesses, we need to find ways to take the pressure off our storm sewers. WE FURTHER MOVE for the administration to provide a cost analysis with these options to show if a bigger investment in green infrastructure now may save more money than the money spent on aftermath of storms including cleanup efforts, claims and settlements and the utilization of other city resources that are needed in response to flooding/backup after heavy rainfalls.

Sponsors: Keating

Attachments: [Motion](#)

ADJOURNMENT