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AUTHORIZING the City Manager to accept an in-kind donation of third-party ballfield renovation services provided by the Cincinnati Reds Community Fund valued at \$100,000, for the purpose of ballfield renovations at select Cincinnati Recreation Commission locations.

WHEREAS, Cincinnati Recreation Commission ("CRC") and the Cincinnati Reds Community Fund ("RCF") have been working cooperatively for several years to provide area youth and adult leagues the best baseball/softball experience possible; and

WHEREAS, the unpredictable nature of Cincinnati weather causes many fields to become unplayable during the spring baseball season; and

WHEREAS, RCF's in-kind donation of ballfield maintenance services will serve as a pilot program to address winter renovations for CRC's heavily used fields, and will enhance the experience of area baseball and softball teams; and

WHEREAS, as a condition for the donation, RCF requires that former Cincinnati Reds head groundskeeper, Doug Gallant, and Gallant Professional Services perform the renovation work due to their expertise with such work; and

WHEREAS, the value of the donation is approximately \$100,000; and

WHEREAS, if successful, CRC may invest in the program utilizing funds within its current capital budget allocations; and

WHEREAS, there are no new FTEs associated with acceptance of this donation; and

WHEREAS, the athletic field improvements are in accordance with the "Live" goal to "[b]uild a robust public life," as described on page 149 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 hereby authorized to accept an in-kind donation of

third-party ballfield renovation services provided by the Cincinnati Reds Community Fund valued

at \$100,000, for the purpose of ballfield renovations at select Cincinnati Recreation Commission

locations.

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

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 accept the donation to allow for the renovation work to occur within the winter season.

Passed: _____, 2022

Aftab Pureval, Mayor

Attest:

Clerk