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."

WHEREAS, the Cincinnati Recreation Commission and River West Working Group partnered to submit a grant application to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources to support the construction of a foot trail connecting a segment of the Ohio River Trail into a complete loop; and

WHEREAS, the grant application deadline was March 15, 2024, and the City has already applied for the grant, but no grant funds will be accepted without approval by Council; and

WHEREAS, the grant requires a local match of twenty percent which will be provided from existing and future allocations to the "Outdoor Facility Renovations" and "Recreation Facility Improvements" capital improvement program project accounts; and

WHEREAS, there are no new FTEs/full time equivalents associated with this grant; and

WHEREAS, extending the Ohio River Trail is in accordance with the "Connect" goal to "[d]evelop an efficient multi-modal transportation system that supports neighborhood livability" and strategy to "[e]xpand options for non-automotive travel," as well as the "Live" goal to "[c]reate a more livable community" and the strategy to "[b]ecome more walkable" as described on pages 129-134 and 156-159 respectively of Plan Cincinnati (2012); now, therefore,

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

Section 1. That capital improvement program project account no. 980x199x241916, "Ohio River Trail – ODNR RTP Grant," is established to provide grant resources for the construction of a foot trail connecting a segment of the Ohio River Trail into a complete loop.

Section 2. That the City Manager is authorized 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."

Section 3. That the Director of Finance is authorized to deposit the grant resources into newly established capital improvement program project account no. 980x199x241916, "Ohio River Trail – ODNR RTP Grant."

Section 4. 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 through 3.

Section 5. 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 to ensure compliance with grant deadlines.

Passed:	, 2	2024	
		Aftab Pureval, Mayor	
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