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September 1, 2020

To: Members of the Major Projects & Smart Government Committee
From: Paula Boggs Muething, Interim City Manager *PBM*
Subject: **Emergency Ordinance – SORTA Contract Appropriation**

Attached is an Emergency Ordinance captioned:

AUTHORIZING the appropriation of the sum of \$3,000,000 from the unappropriated surplus of Fund 759 "Income Tax-Transit" to the Southwest Ohio Regional Transit Authority ("SORTA") non-personnel operating budget account no. 759x081x7200 for the purpose of implementing the provisions of Ordinance No. 0247-2020 which authorized the City Manager to execute an Amendment to the 1973 City-SORTA Agreement for the transfer of funds from Income Tax-Transit Fund 759 to SORTA.

This Emergency Ordinance would appropriate the sum of \$3,000,000 from the unappropriated surplus of Income Tax-Transit Fund 759 to the SORTA non-personnel operating budget account no. 759x081x7200. These funds are necessary to implement the provisions of Ordinance No. 0247-2020 which authorized the City Manager to execute an Amendment to the 1973 City-SORTA Agreement. The agreement includes a transfer of funds which was estimated to be at least \$1,500,000 in 2020, but has been updated, pending the initial reconciliation, to be at least \$3,000,000 which is the amount needed to certify the contract with SORTA.

The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to certify funds to the contract with SORTA.

The Administration recommends passage of this Emergency Ordinance.

cc: Christopher A. Bigham, Assistant City Manager
Karen Alder, Finance Director

Attachment