**AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant in the amount of up to \$78,248.94 from the Hamilton County CARES Expanding Free Wi-Fi Program for the purpose of assisting the Cincinnati Parks Department with expanding free Wi-Fi services at nature centers and Krohn Conservatory to provide educational programing that will promote safe, remote learning and workforce development; and AUTHORIZING the Finance Director to deposit the grant funds into COVID-19 Fund 473.

WHEREAS, there is a grant available in the amount of up to \$78,248.94 from the Hamilton County CARES Expanding Free Wi-Fi Program for the purpose of assisting the Cincinnati Parks Department ("Parks") with expanding free Wi-Fi services at the nature centers and Krohn Conservatory to provide educational programing that will promote safe, remote learning and workforce development; and

WHEREAS, Parks is working in collaboration and coordination with the Cincinnati Public Schools and other childcare service providers to create and provide robust virtual learning environments that are necessary to support children and families who many not have access to the necessary resources to maintain educational paths; and

WHEREAS, the grant requires no local match, and there are no new FTEs associated with the grant; and

WHEREAS, Parks has already applied for the grant, but will not accept any resources without approval of City Council; and

WHEREAS, this ordinance is in accordance with the "Live" goal to "build 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 apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant in the amount of up to \$78,248.94 from the Hamilton County CARES Expanding Free Wi-Fi Program for the purpose of assisting the Cincinnati Parks Department with expanding free Wi-Fi services at nature centers and Krohn Conservatory to provide educational programing that will promote safe, remote learning and workforce development.

Section 2. That the Director of Finance is hereby authorized to deposit the grant resources into COVID-19 Fund 473.

Section 3. That the proper City officials are authorized to do all things necessary and

proper to carry out the terms of the grant and of Sections 1 and 2 herein.

Section 4. That this ordinance shall be an emergency measure necessary for the

preservation of 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 and expend grant resources before the deadline of December 30, 2020.

Passed:	, 2020	
		John Cranley, Mayor
Attest:Clerk		