

January 21, 2021

To: Mayor and Members of City Council

From: Paula Boggs Muething, City Manager *pm By SM*

Subject: **Emergency Ordinance – Cincinnati Park Board Commissioner Funds and Donations**

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Attached is an Emergency Ordinance captioned:

AUTHORIZING the City Manager to accept a donation totaling \$600,000 from the Cincinnati Park Board Commissioner's Fund for the purpose of purchasing horticultural supplies, executing maintenance contracts, providing salary reimbursements, reimbursing the City for Inwood Park playground equipment, providing for Krohn Conservatory's gift shop inventory, and providing resources for other vital costs associated with running the City's parks; and **AUTHORIZING** the Finance Director to deposit the funds into Parks Private Endowment and Donations Fund 430.

This Emergency Ordinance would authorize the City Manager to accept a donation totaling \$600,000 from the Cincinnati Park Board Commissioner's Fund. The purpose of the funding is to provide support for purchasing horticultural supplies, executing maintenance contracts, providing salary reimbursements, reimbursing the City for Inwood Park playground equipment, providing for Krohn Conservatory's gift shop inventory, and providing resources for other vital costs associated with running the City's parks.

No additional FTE are associated with this grant, and matching funds are not required.

This Emergency Ordinance would also authorize the Finance Director to deposit the funds into Parks Private Endowment and Donations Fund 430.

This Emergency Ordinance is in accordance with the Sustain goal to "Preserve our natural and built environment" and strategy to "Protect our natural resources," as described on pages 194 – 196 of Plan Cincinnati (2012).

The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to ensure necessary resources are available for the identified services and goods essential for the ongoing function of the City's parks.

The Administration recommends passage of this Emergency Ordinance.

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

Attachment

