



## EMERGENCY

City of Cincinnati

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# An Ordinance No. \_\_\_\_\_

- 2021

**AUTHORIZING** the establishment of new American Rescue Plan grant project account no. 469x101xARP011, "Black Lives Matter Mural," for the purpose of providing funds to restore the Black Lives Matter mural on Plum Street between Eighth Street and Ninth Street and to install a historical plaque explaining the mural's background; **AUTHORIZING** the transfer and appropriation of the sum of \$250,000 from the unappropriated surplus of Local Fiscal Recovery Fund 469 to newly established American Rescue Plan grant project account no. 469x101xARP011, "Black Lives Matter Mural," for the purpose of providing funds to restore the Black Lives Matter mural on Plum Street between Eighth Street and Ninth Street and to install a historical plaque explaining the mural's background; and further **DECLARING** expenditures from American Rescue Plan grant project account no. 469x101xARP011, "Black Lives Matter Mural," to be for a public purpose.

WHEREAS, the City is eligible to receive funding from the United States Department of the Treasury pursuant to the American Rescue Plan Act as part of the Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund Act; and

WHEREAS, in June 2020, the City declared the Black Lives Matters movement to be a matter of great public interest, and resolved to raise public awareness of the movement through the installation and maintenance of a conspicuous visual message, namely a street mural on Plum Street between Eighth Street and Ninth Street that would recognize and express the City's support of the Black Lives Matter movement; and

WHEREAS, the mural has deteriorated over time due to wear and tear from traffic and the elements; and

WHEREAS, funding will be provided to restore the mural and install a historical plaque explaining the mural's background and the events that precipitated its creation; and

WHEREAS, restoration and maintenance of this street mural is consistent with the "Live" goal to "Create a more livable community" as described on page 156 of Plan Cincinnati (2012); now, therefore,

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

Section 1. That the Director of Finance is hereby authorized to establish new American Rescue Plan grant project account no. 469x101xARP011, "Black Lives Matter Mural," for the purpose of providing funds to restore the Black Lives Matter mural on Plum Street between Eighth Street and Ninth Street and to install a historical plaque explaining the mural's background.

Section 2. That the transfer and appropriation of the sum of \$250,000 from the unappropriated surplus of Local Fiscal Recovery Fund 469 to newly established American Rescue Plan grant project account no. 469x101xARP011, "Black Lives Matter Mural," is hereby authorized for the purpose of providing funds to restore the Black Lives Matter mural on Plum Street between Eighth Street and Ninth Street and to install a historical plaque explaining the mural's background and the events that precipitated its creation.

Section 3. That expenditures from American Rescue Plan grant project account no. 469x101xARP011, "Black Lives Matter Mural," are hereby declared to be for a public purpose because providing funds to restore the Black Lives Matter mural on Plum Street between Eighth Street and Ninth Street and to install a historical plaque explaining the mural's background and the events that precipitated its creation improves the economic and general well-being of the people of the City, which is necessary because of the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Section 4. That the proper City officials are authorized to do all things necessary and proper to carry out the terms of Sections 1 through 3 hereof.

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 the immediate need to implement support programs authorized by the American Rescue Plan.

Passed: \_\_\_\_\_, 2021

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John Cranley, Mayor

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk