AUTHORIZING the City Manager to apply for grants, loans, and loan assistance awarded by Hamilton County from the Municipal Road Fund Program and the Ohio Public Works Commission State Capital Improvement Program, the Local Transportation Improvement Program, and the Revolving Loan Program (Funding Round 36) for the purpose of ensuring the timely completion of various road, bridge, and stormwater infrastructure construction projects throughout the City.

WHEREAS, the Department of Transportation and Engineering ("DOTE") and Greater Cincinnati Water Works Stormwater Management Utility ("GWCC-SMU") intends to request grants, loans, and loan assistance awarded by Hamilton County from the Municipal Road Fund program and the Ohio Public Works Commission State Capital Improvement Program, the Local Transportation Improvement Program, and the Revolving Loan Program (Funding Round 36) by October 29, 2021, for funding year 2023, in order to ensure the timely completion of projects DOTE identifies as high priorities; and

WHEREAS, DOTE and GCWW-SMU identified the attached list of potential projects as high priorities for which it intends to apply for assistance, although the list is subject to change and DOTE may apply for resources for projects not included in Attachment A; and

WHEREAS, depending on the terms of the grant award for each project, local match funds would be required for acceptance; and

WHEREAS, anticipated sources of local match funds, which would come from existing and future capital improvement program project accounts, are identified for each of the projects in Attachment A; and

WHEREAS, DOTE and GCWW-SMU will prepare all applications as requests for grant funding, but there may be opportunities to obtain additional zero percent interest loan funds for these projects once the District Integrating Committee allocation of grant monies is exhausted; and

WHEREAS, if the City is awarded any grants, loans, or loan assistance under these programs, DOTE will request authorization from City Council in order to accept and appropriate such resources; and

WHEREAS, no additional FTEs are associated with the applications for grants, loans, and loan assistance; and

WHEREAS, the implementation of these potential projects is in accordance with the "Connect" goal to "develop an efficient multi-modal transportation system that supports neighborhood livability" as described on pages 129-138 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 grants, loans, and loan assistance awarded by Hamilton County from the Municipal Road Fund Program and the Ohio Public Works Commission State Capital Improvement Program, the Local Transportation Improvement Program, and the Revolving Loan Program (Funding Round 36) to ensure the timely completion of various road, bridge, and stormwater infrastructure construction projects throughout the City.

Section 2. That the proper City officials are hereby authorized to do all things necessary and proper to carry out the terms of Section 1 herein.

Section 3. That this ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Passed: _____, 2021

John Cranley, Mayor

Attest: _____

Clerk