



City of Cincinnati

Budget and Finance Committee

Meeting Minutes

Vice Chair Jeff Cramerding
Councilmember Mark Jeffreys
Councilmember Scotty Johnson
Vice Mayor Jan-Michele Kearney
Councilmember Anna Albi
Councilmember Meeka Owens
Councilmember Seth Walsh
President Pro Tem Victoria Parks

Monday, October 7, 2024 **1:00 PM** **Council Chambers, Room 300**

ROLL CALL

Present: Mark Jeffreys
 Anna Albi
 Jan-Michele Kearney
 Jeff Cramerding
 Meeka Owens
 Scotty Johnson
 Seth Walsh
 Victoria Parks

PRESENTATIONS

FY 2024 Carryover to FY 2025: Administration's Recommendations

Karen Alder, Finance Director and Andrew Dudas, Budget Director

Update from the Treasurer of State

John Gomez, Southwest Regional Liaison for Ohio State Treasurer Robert Sprague

AGENDA

PRESENTATION

- 1. PRESENTATION** submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, dated 10/7/2024, regarding the FY 2024 Carryover to FY 2025: Administration's Recommendations.

[202402139](#)

Filed

FY 2024 CARRYOVER

2. **REPORT**, dated 10/7/2024, submitted Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, regarding the Department of Finance Report for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024 (unaudited). [202402132](#)

Filed
3. **REPORT**, dated 10/7/2024, submitted Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, regarding the FY 2024 Carryover to FY 2025 Report. [202402131](#)

Filed
4. **ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY)** submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 10/7/2024, **AUTHORIZING** the transfer of \$3,591,406 from the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050 to the unappropriated surplus of Working Capital Reserve Fund 754 to increase the City's working capital reserve; **AUTHORIZING** the transfer of \$1,128,610 from the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050 to balance sheet reserve account no. 050x2585, "Economic Downturn Reserve," to increase the City's emergency reserve; **AUTHORIZING** the transfer of \$25,931,295 from the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050 to balance sheet reserve account no. 050x2580, "Reserve for Weather Events, Other Emergency and One-Time Needs," to provide resources for unanticipated emergencies, including those caused by unusual weather events, to increase the City's reserve and for one-time needs; **AUTHORIZING** the transfer and appropriation of \$5,000,000 from the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050 to Department of Community and Economic Development non-personnel operating budget account no. 050x164x7200 to provide resources for the Cincinnati Development Fund to use for affordable housing initiatives; **AUTHORIZING** the transfer and appropriation of \$2,000,000 from the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050 to the City Manager's Office personnel operating budget account no. 050x101x7500 to provide a one-time contribution to address the City's pension obligation to the Cincinnati Retirement System; **AUTHORIZING** the transfer of \$500,000 from the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050 to balance sheet reserve account no. 050x2535, "Reserve for Operating Budget Contingencies," to provide resources for subsequent appropriation for one-time unforeseen operating needs that arise during the remainder of the current fiscal year; **AUTHORIZING** the transfer of \$18,409,008 from the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050 to balance sheet reserve account no. 050x3440, "Infrastructure and Capital Project Reserve," to provide resources for subsequent appropriation by Council for identified one-time infrastructure and capital projects for identified urgent needs or as part of the next annual budget cycle; **AUTHORIZING** the transfer of \$15,890,000 from General

Fund balance sheet reserve account no. 050x2580, "Reserve for Weather Events, Other Emergency and One-Time Needs," to the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050; **AUTHORIZING** the transfer and appropriation of \$6,000,000 from the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050 to Cincinnati Fire Department General Fund personnel operating budget account no. 050x271x7100 to provide resources for retroactive pay and one-time lump sum payments included in the new bargaining agreement between the City and the International Association of Fire Fighters to be paid during FY 2025; **AUTHORIZING** the transfer and appropriation of \$3,600,000 from the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050 to Cincinnati Police Department General Fund personnel operating budget account no. 050x222x7100 to provide resources for retroactive pay included in the new bargaining agreement between the City and the Fraternal Order of Police to be paid during FY 2025; **AUTHORIZING** the transfer and appropriation of \$2,000,000 from the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050 to Contribution To Total Benefit Arrangement (CRS) non-departmental personnel operating budget account no. 050x915x7500 to provide a one-time payment to the Cincinnati Retirement System to cover benefits received by retirees since 2001 that exceeded the maximum amount allowable under Internal Revenue Code Section 415(b); **AUTHORIZING** the transfer and appropriation of \$250,000 from the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050 to the City Manager's Office personnel operating budget account no. 050x101x7100 to provide funds for additional public safety measures in the downtown and uptown areas of the City; **AUTHORIZING** the transfer and appropriation of \$2,450,000 from the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050 to the City Manager's Office non-personnel operating budget account no. 050x101x7200 to provide resources for items funded in FY 2024 for which contracts were not executed before June 30, 2024; **AUTHORIZING** the transfer and appropriation of \$100,000 from the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050 to Department of Transportation and Engineering non-personnel operating budget account no. 050x231x7200 to provide resources to conduct a site assessment for a permanent customs facility at Lunken Airport; **AUTHORIZING** the transfer of \$100,000 from General Fund balance sheet reserve account no. 050x2535, "Reserve for Operating Budget Contingencies," to the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050; **AUTHORIZING** the transfer and appropriation of \$100,000 from the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050 to the City Manager's Office non-personnel operating budget account no. 050x101x7200 to provide resources to support the Cincinnati Center City Development Corporation ("3CDC") North Over-the-Rhine ("OTR") Clean & Safe Ambassador program; **AUTHORIZING** the transfer and appropriation of \$113,500 from the unappropriated surplus of

Stormwater Management Fund 107 to the City Manager's Office non-personnel operating budget account no. 107x101x7200 to provide resources to support the 3CDC North OTR Clean & Safe Ambassador program; **ESTABLISHING** new capital improvement program project account no. 980x271x252724, "Cardiac Monitor Equipment - GFCO," to provide resources for the acquisition of cardiac monitors and related equipment to allow medics to monitor the vital signs of patients requesting emergency medical services from the Cincinnati Fire Department; **ESTABLISHING** new capital improvement program project account no. 980x162x251625, "Talbert House Crisis Center - GFCO," to provide resources to construct a new Talbert House Crisis Center that will house programs to assist City residents struggling with addiction and mental health issues; **AUTHORIZING** the transfer of \$3,550,000 from General Fund balance sheet reserve account no. 050x3440, "Infrastructure and Capital Project Reserve," to the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050; **AUTHORIZING** the transfer and appropriation of \$4,790,000 from the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050 to various capital improvement program project accounts according to Schedule A of the Capital Budget Schedule of Transfer; **AUTHORIZING** the transfer and appropriation of \$250,000 from the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050 to the City Manager's Office General Fund non-personnel operating budget account no. 050x101x7200 to provide resources to Keep Cincinnati Beautiful for capital facilities improvements; and **DECLARING** certain projects to be for a public purpose, all for the purpose of carrying out the Capital Improvement Program.

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DONATIONS

5. **ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY)** submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 10/2/2024, **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to donate the historic Fort Washington Flag to the Cincinnati Museum Center, notwithstanding the requirements of Cincinnati Municipal Code Section 321-143 governing the disposal of City-owned personal property.

[202402108](#)

Recommend Passage Emergency

PAYMENTS

6. **ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY)** submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 10/2/2024, **AUTHORIZING** the payment of \$4,890 from Department of Parks Private Endowment and Donations Fund 430 account no. 430x202x1059x7299 as a moral obligation to Central Parking System of Ohio, Inc. for outstanding charges related to parking costs for City owned vehicles to park at the Riverfront employee reporting location from March 1, 2024, through June 30, 2024.

[202402109](#)

Recommend Passage Emergency

7. **ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY)** submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 10/2/2024, **AUTHORIZING** the payment of \$8,357 from Parks Department capital improvement program project account no. 980x203x0000x7671x242000, "Park Infrastructure Rehabilitation," as a moral obligation to Overhead Door of Greater Cincinnati for outstanding charges pertaining to work performed at the Parks Department Warder facility. [202402112](#)

Recommend Passage Emergency

8. **ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY)** submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 10/2/2024, **AUTHORIZING** the payment of \$654.48 to W.W. Grainger, Inc. from Cincinnati Fire Department General Fund non-personnel operating budget account no. 050x271x5000x7369 for the purchase of reciprocating saw blades invoiced on July 18, 2024, pursuant to the attached then and now certificate from the Director of Finance. [202402110](#)

Recommend Passage Emergency

9. **ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY)** submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 10/2/2024, **AUTHORIZING** the payment of \$10,072 to Howell Rescue Systems, Inc. from Cincinnati Fire Department General Fund non-personnel operating budget account no. 050x271x5000x7259 for charges related to preventative maintenance and repair services for hydraulic rescue tools used by the Cincinnati Fire Department from August 26, 2024 through August 28, 2024, pursuant to the attached then and now certificate from the Director of Finance. [202402111](#)

Recommend Passage Emergency

10. **ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY)** submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 10/2/2024, **AUTHORIZING** the payment of \$4,800 from the Department of Parks General Fund non-personnel operating budget account no. 050x203x2000x7316 to Dell Marketing L.P. pursuant to the attached certificate from the Director of Finance, for outstanding charges related to the purchase of computer hardware used by the Parks Department. [202402113](#)

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GRANTS

11. **ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY)** submitted by Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager, on 10/2/2024, **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to apply for and accept a grant of in-kind services from Public Allies AmeriCorps valued at up to \$120,000 to provide two full-time contracted positions to carry out key portions of the 2023 Green Cincinnati Plan. [202402114](#)

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ADJOURNMENT