



# City of Cincinnati

## Cincinnati City Council

### Meeting Minutes

801 Plum Street  
Cincinnati, Ohio 45202

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**Wednesday, September 15, 2021 2:00 PM Council Chambers, Room 300**

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Council convened at 2:04 p.m., Mayor John Cranley, Presiding.

#### **ROLL CALL**

**Present:** Mayor John Cranley, Vice Mayor Christopher Smitherman, Councilmember Steve Goodin, Councilmember Jan-Michele Kearney, Councilmember Liz Keating, Councilmember Greg Landsman, Councilmember David Mann, President Pro Tem Chris Seelbach, Councilmember Betsy Sundermann, and Councilmember Wendell Young

Also in attendance were Assistant City Manager Paul Boggs Muething, City Solicitor Andrew Garth, and Clerk of Council Melissa Autry.

**Council observed a moment of silence prayer and recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.**

**There being no objection, Minutes of the previous session of Council were ordered Filed.**

#### **MAYOR CRANLEY**

#### **Housing Advisory Board**

1. **APPOINTMENT**, submitted by Mayor John Cranley, I hereby appoint Roxanne Qualls to the Housing Advisory Board for a term of four years. This appointment is submitted to City Council for its advice and consent pursuant to its Rules. (Female/White).

**[202102730](#)**

Confirmed

**Yes:** Vice Mayor Smitherman  
Councilmember Goodin  
Councilmember Kearney  
Councilmember Keating  
Councilmember Landsman  
Councilmember Mann  
President Pro Tem Seelbach  
Councilmember Sundermann

**Absent:** Councilmember Young

2. **APPOINTMENT**, submitted by Mayor John Cranley, I hereby appoint Arlene Nolan to the Housing Advisory Board for a term of four years. This appointment is submitted to City Council for its advice and consent pursuant to its Rules. (Female).

[202102754](#)

Confirmed

**Yes:** Vice Mayor Smitherman  
Councilmember Goodin  
Councilmember Kearney  
Councilmember Keating  
Councilmember Landsman  
Councilmember Mann  
President Pro Tem Seelbach  
Councilmember Sundermann

**Absent:** Councilmember Young

3. **APPOINTMENT**, submitted by Mayor John Cranley, I hereby appoint Greg Johnson to the Housing Advisory Board for a term of four years. This appointment is submitted to City Council for its advice and consent pursuant to its Rules. (Male/AA).

[202102750](#)

Confirmed

**Yes:** Vice Mayor Smitherman  
Councilmember Goodin  
Councilmember Kearney  
Councilmember Keating  
Councilmember Landsman  
Councilmember Mann  
President Pro Tem Seelbach  
Councilmember Sundermann

**Absent:** Councilmember Young

4. **APPOINTMENT**, submitted by Mayor John Cranley, I hereby appoint Sister Sally Duffy to the Housing Advisory Board for a term of four years. This appointment is submitted to City Council for its advice and consent

[202102746](#)

pursuant to its Rules. (Female/White).

Confirmed

**Yes:** Vice Mayor Smitherman  
Councilmember Goodin  
Councilmember Kearney  
Councilmember Keating  
Councilmember Landsman  
Councilmember Mann  
President Pro Tem Seelbach  
Councilmember Sundermann

**Absent:** Councilmember Young

5. **APPOINTMENT**, submitted by Mayor John Cranley, I hereby appoint Bobby Maly to the Housing Advisory Board for a term of four years. This appointment is submitted to City Council for its advice and consent pursuant to its Rules. (Male/White).

[202102742](#)

Confirmed

**Yes:** Vice Mayor Smitherman  
Councilmember Goodin  
Councilmember Kearney  
Councilmember Keating  
Councilmember Landsman  
Councilmember Mann  
President Pro Tem Seelbach  
Councilmember Sundermann

**Absent:** Councilmember Young

6. **APPOINTMENT**, submitted by Mayor John Cranley, I hereby appoint Steve Leeper to the Housing Advisory Board for a term of four years. This appointment is submitted to City Council for its advice and consent pursuant to its Rules. (Male/White).

[202102738](#)

Confirmed

**Yes:** Vice Mayor Smitherman  
Councilmember Goodin  
Councilmember Kearney  
Councilmember Keating  
Councilmember Landsman  
Councilmember Mann  
President Pro Tem Seelbach  
Councilmember Sundermann

**Absent:** Councilmember Young

7. **APPOINTMENT**, submitted by Mayor John Cranley, I hereby appoint James Watkins to the Housing Advisory Board for a term of four years. This appointment is submitted to City Council for its advice and consent pursuant to its Rules. (Male/AA). [202102734](#)

Confirmed

**Yes:** Vice Mayor Smitherman  
Councilmember Goodin  
Councilmember Kearney  
Councilmember Keating  
Councilmember Landsman  
Councilmember Mann  
President Pro Tem Seelbach  
Councilmember Sundermann

**Absent:** Councilmember Young

8. **APPOINTMENT, (RESIGNATION)** dated 09/13/2021, submitted by Mayor John Cranley, Accepting the resignation of Luke Blocher from the Civil Service commission. [202102776](#)

Filed

9. **APPOINTMENT**, submitted by Mayor John Cranley. I hereby appoint Chandra K Matthews-Smith to the Children & Families Cabinet for a term of three years. This appointment is submitted to City Council for its advice and consent pursuant to its rules. (Female/AA) [202102778](#)

Held one week pursuant to rule of council

**Civil Service Commission - 1 Appointments: 1 Male; 1 White;**

10. **APPOINTMENT**, dated 09/14/2021, submitted by Mayor John Cranley, I hereby appoint Brian Griffin to the Civil Service Commission for a term of six years. This appointment is submitted to City Council for its advice and consent pursuant to its Rules. (Male/White) [202102779](#)

Held one week pursuant to rule of council

11. **APPOINTMENT**, dated 09/14/2021, submitted by Mayor John Cranley, I hereby appoint Brendon Cull to the Advisory Board for a term of four years. This appointment is submitted to City Council for its advice and consent pursuant to its Rules. (Male/White) [202102780](#)

Held one week pursuant to rule of council

12. **APPOINTMENT**, dated 09/14/2021, submitted by Mayor John Cranley, I hereby appoint Greg Landsman to the Housing Advisory Board for a term of four years. This appointment is submitted to City Council for its advice and consent pursuant to its Rules. (Male/White) [202102782](#)

Held one week pursuant to rule of council

**Children & Family - 15 Appointments: 7 Male; 8 Female; 2 White; 8 AA; 5 Unknown**

13. **APPOINTMENT**, dated 09/2021, submitted by Mayor John Cranley, I hereby appoint Brandy Jones to the Children & Families Cabinet for a term of three years. This appointment is submitted to City Council for its advice and consent pursuant to its Rules. (Female/AA) [202102783](#)

Held one week pursuant to rule of council

14. **APPOINTMENT**, dated 9/2021 submitted by Mayor John Cranley. I hereby appoint Robert Kahn to the Children & Families Cabinet for a term of three years. This appointment is submitted to City Council for its advice and consent pursuant to its rules. (Male) [202102784](#)

Held one week pursuant to rule of council

15. **APPOINTMENT**, dated 9/2021 submitted by Mayor John Cranley. I hereby appoint Michael Patton to the Children & Families Cabinet for a term of three years. This appointment is submitted to City Council for its advice and consent pursuant to its rules. (Male/AA) [202102785](#)

Held one week pursuant to rule of council

16. **APPOINTMENT**, submitted by Mayor John Cranley, I hereby appoint Jeremiah Thompson to the Children & Families Cabinet for a term of one year. This appointment is submitted to City Council for its advice and consent pursuant to its Rules. (Male) [202102786](#)

Held one week pursuant to rule of council

17. **APPOINTMENT**, dated 9/2021 submitted by Mayor John Cranley. I hereby appoint Thanapat Vichitchot to the Children & Families Cabinet for a term of three years. This appointment is submitted to City Council for its advice and consent pursuant to its rules. (Male) [202102787](#)

Held one week pursuant to rule of council

18. **APPOINTMENT**, submitted by Mayor John Cranley, I hereby appoint Vanessa White to the Children & Families Cabinet for a term of three years. This appointment is submitted to City Council for its advice and consent pursuant to its Rules. (Female/AA) [202102788](#)

Held one week pursuant to rule of council

19. **APPOINTMENT**, dated 09/14/2021, submitted by Mayor John Cranley, I hereby appoint Shauna Murphy to the Children & Families Cabinet for a term of three years. This appointment is submitted to City Council for its advice and consent pursuant to its Rules. (Female/AA) [202102789](#)

Held one week pursuant to rule of council

20. **APPOINTMENT**, submitted by Mayor John Cranley, I hereby appoint [202102790](#)

Gregory Johnson to the Children & Families Cabinet for a term of three years. This appointment is submitted to City Council for its advice and consent pursuant to its Rules. (Male/AA)

Held one week pursuant to rule of council

- 21. APPOINTMENT**, submitted by Mayor John Cranley, I hereby appoint Leslie Maloney to the Children & Families Cabinet for a term of three years. This appointment is submitted to City Council for its advice and consent pursuant to its Rules. (Female/White) [202102791](#)

Held one week pursuant to rule of council

- 22. APPOINTMENT**, dated 9/2021 submitted by Mayor John Cranley. I hereby appoint Eric Kearney to the Children & Families Cabinet for a term of three years. This appointment is submitted to City Council for its advice and consent pursuant to its rules. (Male/AA) [202102792](#)

Held one week pursuant to rule of council

- 23. APPOINTMENT**, submitted by Mayor John Cranley, I hereby appoint Rebecca Hammor to the Children & Families Cabinet for a term of one year. This appointment is submitted to City Council for its advice and consent pursuant to its Rules. (Female) [202102793](#)

Held one week pursuant to rule of council

- 24. APPOINTMENT**, submitted by Mayor John Cranley, I hereby appoint Ronald Holley to the Children & Families Cabinet for a term of one year. This appointment is submitted to City Council for its advice and consent pursuant to its Rules. (Male) [202102794](#)

Held one week pursuant to rule of council

- 25. APPOINTMENT**, submitted by Mayor John Cranley, I hereby appoint Denisha Porter to the Children & Families Cabinet for a term of three years. This appointment is submitted to City Council for its advice and consent pursuant to its Rules. (Female/AA) [202102795](#)

Held one week pursuant to rule of council

- 26.** [202102796](#)

Held one week pursuant to rule of council

### **MR. GOODIN**

- 27.** [202102769](#)  
RESOLUTION, dated 09/09/2021, submitted by Councilmember Goodin, from Andrew Garth, City Solicitor, RECOGNIZING AND HONORING Peter Rosenwald for his ethics professionalism, and generosity during his legal career in Cincinnati, as well as his exemplary service as a mentor, counselor, and friend, enjoying the respect and admiration of all who encountered him.

Passed

**Yes:** Vice Mayor Smitherman  
Councilmember Goodin  
Councilmember Kearney  
Councilmember Keating  
Councilmember Landsman  
Councilmember Mann  
President Pro Tem Seelbach  
Councilmember Sundermann

**Absent:** Councilmember Young  
Enactment No: 0057-2021

**MS. KEATING**

- 28.** [202102774](#)  
RESOLUTION, dated 09/14/2021, submitted by Councilmember Keating, from Andrew Garth, City Solicitor, RECOGNIZING and honoring the brave an heroic service and women who sacrificed their lives in the helicopter crash off the coast of San Diego, California.

Passed

**Yes:** Vice Mayor Smitherman  
Councilmember Goodin  
Councilmember Kearney  
Councilmember Keating  
Councilmember Landsman  
Councilmember Mann  
President Pro Tem Seelbach  
Councilmember Sundermann

**Absent:** Councilmember Young  
Enactment No: 0058-2021

**MR. LANDSMAN**

- 29.** [202102772](#)  
**MOTION**, dated 9/9/2021, submitted by Councilmember Landsman, Establishing Performance Measurement Goals for the Distribution of Eviction Prevention Funding. **WE MOVE** that the Administration work with the Community Action Agency (CAA) and other relevant partners to immediately establish performance measurement goals for the distribution of the eviction prevention emergency funding. We further move that these results-based performance measurement goals are reported to Council - along with any potential areas of support (e.g. Additional staffing or enhanced communication) - so as to allow us to act more aggressively and purposefully to ensure money is getting to people faster. (STATEMENT ATTACHED)

Referred to Budget & Finance Committee

**30.**[202102773](#)

MOTION, dated 09/13/2021, submitted by Councilmember Landsman, Finding Sensible Solutions to the Operation of Plasma Centers in Already-Vulnerable Communities. WE MOVE that the Administration look into the potential of updating Cincinnati's zoning code to allow for sensible limitations on where plasma centers are able to operate\* in recognition of decades of research showing the industry's unfortunate history of exploiting financially insecure neighborhoods and at-risk populations. WE FURTHER MOVE that these findings and ensuring recommendations are reported back to Council as soon as possible, so to allow us to move forward with doing our part to protect already-vulnerable populations from further harm. (STATEMENT ATTACHED).

Referred to Economic, Growth & Zoning Committee

**MR. SMITHERMAN, MS. KEARNEY, MR. LANDSMAN, MR. GOODIN, MS. SUNDERMAN AND KEATING**

**31.**[202102771](#)

**MOTION**, dated 09/14/2021, submitted by Vice-Mayor Smitherman, Councilmembers Kearney, Landsman, Goodin, Sundermann, Keating and Young, **WE MOVE** that the administration honor Cincinnati native Lynwood Battle a man who modeled leadership, service and faith, Lynwood Battle was a man of wisdom, integrity, and warmth that connected with people everywhere he went, Lynwood Battle sense of gratitude and thanksgiving resonated with everything that he did whether it pertained to family, service, work, or his many friendships. WE MOVE that the administration support honoring Lynwood Battle with a secondary street renaming at Washington Avenue and Rockdale Avenue. (STATEMENT ATTACHED).

Referred to Neighborhoods Committee

**MS. SUNDERMANN**

**32.**[202102768](#)

RESOLUTION, dated 09/08/2021, submitted by Councilmember Sundermann, from Andrew Garth, City Solicitor, REQUESTING that Cincinnati Public Schools provide to City Council an accounting of past and present expenditures related to the use of COVID-19 relief funds, as well as any future planned expenditures related to the use of COVID-19 relief funds.

Referred to Budget & Finance Committee

**MS. SUNDERMANN, MS. KEATING & MS. KEARNEY**

**33.**[202102770](#)

MOTION, dated 09/09/2021, submitted by Councilmember Sundermann, Keating and Kearney, WE MOVE that the Administration immediately create and fund with FY21 carryover funds a new Senior Administrative Specialist position to serve as a fulltime Cincinnati Police Wellness Coordinator, who will implement and manage a department-wide program to address mental and physical health in law enforcement, and which is



correlated to overall improvement in employee health and performance as well as a reduction in sick leave, on-duty injuries, turnover and discipline. WE FUTURE MOVE that funding for the position should come from a portion of the FY21 carryover funds and subsequently be included in future city budgets. The annual cost of funding a Senior Administrative Specialist with benefits is approximately \$125,000. The program already unofficially underway should be fully implemented effective October 1, 2021, at a partial year cost of \$93,000 for this fiscal year.

Referred to Budget & Finance Committee

### CITY MANAGER

- 34.** REPORT, dated 9/15/2021 submitted by Paula Boggs Muething, City Manager, on a communication from the State of Ohio, Division of Liquor Control, advising of a permit application for SPORTING CLUB MANAGEMENT GROUP LLC, DBA SCENE, 637 Walnut Street, Cincinnati, Ohio 45202. (#8437503, D5J, D6, TRANSFER) [Objections: NONE] [202102666](#)

Filed

- 35.** REPORT, dated 9/15/2021 submitted by Paula Boggs Muething, City Manager, on a communication from the State of Ohio, Division of Liquor Control, advising of a permit application for FLAVORS OF THE ISLE LLC, DBA FLAVOR OF THE ISLE, 1807 Elm Street, Cincinnati, Ohio 45202. (#2771807, D5J, NEW) [Objections: NONE] [202102640](#)

Filed

- 36.** REPORT, dated 9/15/2021 submitted by Paula Boggs Muething, City Manager, on a communication from the State of Ohio, Division of Liquor Control, advising of a permit application for FATIMA LTD, DBA PRICE HILL MARATHON, 3431 Warsaw Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio 45205. (#2656902, C1, C2, TRANSFER) [Objections: NONE] [202102710](#)

Filed

- 37.** REPORT, dated 9/15/2021 submitted by Paula Boggs Muething, City Manager, on a communication from the State of Ohio, Division of Liquor Control, advising of a permit application for SANSAM CLIFTON LLC, DBA ESQUIRE THEATRE, 320 Ludlow Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio 45220. (#7736026, D5J, D6, TRANSFER) [Objections: NONE] [202102711](#)

Filed

- 38.** **ORDINANCE** submitted by Paula Boggs Muething, City Manager, on 9/15/2021, **MODIFYING** Title V, "Traffic Code," of the Cincinnati Municipal Code by **REPEALING** Section 507-1-E8, "East Hollister Street, west from Auburn Avenue to Vine Street," to convert the portion of East Hollister Street located between Auburn Avenue and Vine Street from a one-way street to a two-way street. [202102755](#)

Referred to Economic, Growth & Zoning Committee

### BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

- 39. ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY)** submitted by Paula Boggs Muething, City Manager, on 9/9/2021, **PROVIDING** FOR THE ISSUANCE, SALE AND DELIVERY OF NOT TO EXCEED \$500,000 OF JUDGMENT BONDS, OR NOTES IN ANTICIPATION THEREOF, OF THE CITY OF CINCINNATI, COUNTY OF HAMILTON, STATE OF OHIO, FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING A FINAL JUDGMENT AND COSTS ASSOCIATED THEREWITH; AUTHORIZING A PLEDGE OF THE CITY'S FAITH AND CREDIT OR A PLEDGE OF AND LIEN ON CERTAIN REVENUES AND OTHER CITY RESOURCES, AS APPROPRIATE, TO SECURE SUCH BONDS OR NOTES; AND AUTHORIZING NECESSARY DOCUMENTS TO SECURE SUCH BONDS OR NOTES.

[202102698](#)

Passed Emergency

**Yes:** Vice Mayor Smitherman  
Councilmember Goodin  
Councilmember Kearney  
Councilmember Keating  
Councilmember Landsman  
Councilmember Mann  
President Pro Tem Seelbach  
Councilmember Sundermann

**Absent:** Councilmember Young  
Enactment No: 0359-2021

Suspension of the three readings

**Yes:** Vice Mayor Smitherman  
Councilmember Goodin  
Councilmember Kearney  
Councilmember Keating  
Councilmember Landsman  
Councilmember Mann  
President Pro Tem Seelbach  
Councilmember Sundermann

**Absent:** Councilmember Young  
Enactment No: 0359-2021

Emergency clause to remain

**Yes:** Vice Mayor Smitherman  
Councilmember Goodin  
Councilmember Kearney  
Councilmember Keating  
Councilmember Landsman  
Councilmember Mann  
President Pro Tem Seelbach  
Councilmember Sundermann

**Absent:** Councilmember Young  
Enactment No: 0359-2021

- 40. ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY)** submitted by Paula Boggs Muething, City Manager, on 9/9/2021, **AUTHORIZING** the receipt of judgment bond proceeds in the amount of \$500,000 into Judgment Bond Fund 815; and **AUTHORIZING** the expenditure of the sum of \$500,000 from Judgment Bond Fund 815 for the purpose of making payments for settlements and judgments against the City.

[202102699](#)

Passed Emergency

**Yes:** Vice Mayor Smitherman  
Councilmember Goodin  
Councilmember Kearney  
Councilmember Keating  
Councilmember Landsman  
Councilmember Mann  
President Pro Tem Seelbach  
Councilmember Sundermann

**Absent:** Councilmember Young  
Enactment No: 0360-2021

Suspension of the three readings

**Yes:** Vice Mayor Smitherman  
Councilmember Goodin  
Councilmember Kearney  
Councilmember Keating  
Councilmember Landsman  
Councilmember Mann  
President Pro Tem Seelbach  
Councilmember Sundermann

**Absent:** Councilmember Young  
Enactment No: 0360-2021

Emergency clause to remain

**Yes:** Vice Mayor Smitherman  
Councilmember Goodin  
Councilmember Kearney  
Councilmember Keating  
Councilmember Landsman  
Councilmember Mann  
President Pro Tem Seelbach  
Councilmember Sundermann

**Absent:** Councilmember Young  
Enactment No: 0360-2021

- 41. ORDINANCE** submitted by Paula Boggs Muething, City Manager, on 9/9/2021, **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant in the amount of up to \$180,000 in FY 2022 Office of Law Enforcement Recruitment funds from the State of Ohio, Department of Public Safety, Office of Criminal Justice Services, for the purpose of developing the police recruiting process, specifically the College to Law Enforcement Pathway Program (Cadet Program), to enhance the recruitment of women and minorities.

[202102700](#)

Passed

**Yes:** Vice Mayor Smitherman  
Councilmember Goodin  
Councilmember Kearney  
Councilmember Keating  
Councilmember Landsman  
Councilmember Mann  
President Pro Tem Seelbach  
Councilmember Sundermann

**Absent:** Councilmember Young  
Enactment No: 0361-2021

Suspension of the three readings

**Yes:** Vice Mayor Smitherman  
Councilmember Goodin  
Councilmember Kearney  
Councilmember Keating  
Councilmember Landsman  
Councilmember Mann  
President Pro Tem Seelbach  
Councilmember Sundermann

**Absent:** Councilmember Young  
Enactment No: 0361-2021

- 42. ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY)** submitted by Paula Boggs Muething, City Manager, on 9/9/2021, **TO LEVY** special assessments to pay for the costs of implementing the 2022-2025 Services Plan for the Downtown Cincinnati Improvement District in accordance with Chapters 727 and Chapter 1710 of the Ohio Revised Code.

[202102712](#)

Passed Emergency

**Yes:** Vice Mayor Smitherman  
Councilmember Goodin  
Councilmember Kearney  
Councilmember Keating  
Councilmember Landsman  
Councilmember Mann  
President Pro Tem Seelbach  
Councilmember Sundermann

**Absent:** Councilmember Young  
Enactment No: 0362-2021

Suspension of the three readings

**Yes:** Vice Mayor Smitherman  
Councilmember Goodin  
Councilmember Kearney  
Councilmember Keating  
Councilmember Landsman  
Councilmember Mann  
President Pro Tem Seelbach  
Councilmember Sundermann

**Absent:** Councilmember Young  
Enactment No: 0362-2021

Emergency clause to remain

**Yes:** Vice Mayor Smitherman  
Councilmember Goodin  
Councilmember Kearney  
Councilmember Keating  
Councilmember Landsman  
Councilmember Mann  
President Pro Tem Seelbach  
Councilmember Sundermann

**Absent:** Councilmember Young  
Enactment No: 0362-2021

- 43. ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY)** submitted by Paula Boggs Muething, City Manager, on 9/9/2021, **DETERMINING** to proceed with the assessment of properties in the Downtown Cincinnati Improvement District to implement the 2022-2025 Services Plan for the district in accordance with Chapters 727 and Chapter 1710 of the Ohio Revised Code.

[202102713](#)

Passed Emergency

**Yes:** Vice Mayor Smitherman  
Councilmember Goodin  
Councilmember Kearney  
Councilmember Keating  
Councilmember Landsman  
Councilmember Mann  
President Pro Tem Seelbach  
Councilmember Sundermann

**Absent:** Councilmember Young  
Enactment No: 0363-2021

Suspension of the three readings

**Yes:** Vice Mayor Smitherman  
Councilmember Goodin  
Councilmember Kearney  
Councilmember Keating  
Councilmember Landsman  
Councilmember Mann  
President Pro Tem Seelbach  
Councilmember Sundermann

**Absent:** Councilmember Young  
Enactment No: 0363-2021

Emergency clause to remain

**Yes:** Vice Mayor Smitherman  
Councilmember Goodin  
Councilmember Kearney  
Councilmember Keating  
Councilmember Landsman  
Councilmember Mann  
President Pro Tem Seelbach  
Councilmember Sundermann

**Absent:** Councilmember Young  
Enactment No: 0363-2021

- 44. REPORT**, dated 9/10/2021, submitted by Paula Boggs Muething, City Manager, regarding Department of Finance Report for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021 (unaudited)

[202102725](#)

Referred to Budget & Finance Committee

- 45. ORDINANCE** submitted by Paula Boggs Muething, City Manager, on 9/9/2021, **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager and employees of the Office of Human Relations to solicit and accept donations of money, in-kind contributions, and other things of value from the Cincinnati business community, individual benefactors, and other available sources for the purpose of completing the Black Is Excellence Project; and **AUTHORIZING** the Finance Director to deposit the donated funds into Special Revenue Fund No. 435, "Human Relations."

[202102701](#)

Passed

**Yes:** Vice Mayor Smitherman  
Councilmember Goodin  
Councilmember Kearney  
Councilmember Keating  
Councilmember Landsman  
Councilmember Mann  
President Pro Tem Seelbach  
Councilmember Sundermann

**Absent:** Councilmember Young  
Enactment No: 0364-2021

Suspension of the three readings

**Yes:** Vice Mayor Smitherman  
Councilmember Goodin  
Councilmember Kearney  
Councilmember Keating  
Councilmember Landsman  
Councilmember Mann  
President Pro Tem Seelbach  
Councilmember Sundermann

**Absent:** Councilmember Young  
Enactment No: 0364-2021

### **NEIGHBORHOODS COMMITTEE**

- 46. MOTION**, dated 08/30/2021, submitted by Councilmembers Seelbach and

[202102664](#)

Keating, **WE MOVE** that the Administration review the Downtown late-night flash operations of traffic signals, particularly along Court Street, and reconsider the currently existing one-way stop, one-way yield signals to be all-way stop signals, for the purpose of reducing potential T-bone collisions and providing safer crossings for pedestrians. As downtown has increased its late-night activities over the last decade, reconsideration of one-way yield signals may improve safety along growing corridors. **WE FURTHER MOVE** that the report return in 45 to 60 days.

Adopted

**Yes:** Vice Mayor Smitherman  
Councilmember Goodin  
Councilmember Kearney  
Councilmember Keating  
Councilmember Landsman  
Councilmember Mann  
President Pro Tem Seelbach  
Councilmember Sundermann

**Absent:** Councilmember Young

- 47. ORDINANCE**, dated 8/24/2021, submitted by Councilmember Kearney, from Andrew Garth, City Solicitor, **REQUESTING** that the City Manager, with input and participation from citizen, community councils, community groups, and City partners, develop an additional community engagement plan, which includes a timeline and details the resources required in order for the plan to be implemented by the City of Cincinnati, including the Mayor, City administration, City boards, commissions and Council committees, in order to achieve the policy goals described in Attachment A attached hereto.

[202102642](#)

Passed

**Yes:** Vice Mayor Smitherman  
Councilmember Goodin  
Councilmember Kearney  
Councilmember Keating  
Councilmember Landsman  
Councilmember Mann  
President Pro Tem Seelbach  
Councilmember Sundermann

**Absent:** Councilmember Young  
Enactment No: 0358-2021

Suspension of the three readings



**Yes:** Vice Mayor Smitherman  
Councilmember Goodin  
Councilmember Kearney  
Councilmember Keating  
Councilmember Landsman  
Councilmember Mann  
President Pro Tem Seelbach  
Councilmember Sundermann

**Absent:** Councilmember Young  
Enactment No: 0358-2021

### **SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS**

#### **LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE**

- 48. MOTION**, submitted by Councilmember Sundermann, **WE MOVE** the Administration work with Fire Chief Michael Washington and his leadership team to evaluate the proper sworn strength for staffing the Cincinnati Fire Department. **WE FURTHER MOVE** that if the evaluation determines a shortage exists, the Administration should immediately put in place future funding plans to recruit and train new or lateral members to get the CFD to its proper sworn strength to ensure the adequate safety of the citizens of Cincinnati. (STATEMENT ATTACHED)

[202102696](#)

Adopted

**Yes:** Vice Mayor Smitherman  
Councilmember Goodin  
Councilmember Kearney  
Councilmember Keating  
Councilmember Landsman  
Councilmember Mann  
President Pro Tem Seelbach  
Councilmember Sundermann

**Absent:** Councilmember Young

#### **ECONOMIC GROWTH & ZONING COMMITTEE**

- 49. REPORT**, dated 6/22/2021, submitted by Paula Boggs Muething, City Manager, regarding Property Tax Working Group Recommendations. (REFERENCE DOCUMENTS #202000954, #202000951, #202000945)

[202102393](#)

Approved & Filed

- 50. MOTION**, submitted by Councilmember Sundermann, **WE MOVE** the Administration prepare a report detailing the current policies and practices for inspecting high rise buildings. **WE FURTHER MOVE** that the report include requirements for buildings in hillside overlay zoning and flood zones. On June 24, 2021, a twelve-story condominium partially collapsed

[202102614](#)

in Surfside, Florida. Ninety-eight people were confirmed to have died in this tragedy. Citizens of Cincinnati must be ensured that building standards are adequate and regularly enforced to prevent these types of massive collapses. It is especially important for high-risk buildings and high-risk terrain areas to receive proper attention in inspection practices. The report should outline any current susceptibilities in inspection standards that could put City of Cincinnati buildings at risk to catastrophic collapses like the Champlain Towers South condominium in Surfside, Florida or hillside slippage resulting in damage to housing foundations. The report should also include recommendations from the Department of Buildings and Inspections to improve building safety from massive collapse.

Adopted

**Yes:** Vice Mayor Smitherman  
Councilmember Goodin  
Councilmember Kearney  
Councilmember Keating  
Councilmember Landsman  
Councilmember Mann  
President Pro Tem Seelbach  
Councilmember Sundermann

**Absent:** Councilmember Young

- 51.** REPORT, dated 9/14/2021 submitted by Paula Boggs Muething, City Manager, on a communication from the State of Ohio, Division of Liquor Control, advising of a permit application for PEARLSTAR GROUP LLC, DBA PEARLSTAR, 1220 Vine Street, Cincinnati, Ohio 45202. (#6779968, D5J, D6, TRANSFER) [Objections: No]

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Approved & Filed

### **MAJOR PROJECTS & SMART GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE**

- 52. RESOLUTION**, dated 8/26/2021, submitted by Vice Mayor Smitherman, from Andrew Garth, City Solicitor, **ENCOURAGING** Governor Mike DeWine and the Ohio General Assembly to immediately amend Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22 to enable members of public bodies of the State of Ohio to hold and attend meetings and conduct hearings by means of teleconference, video conference, or any other similar electronic technology, until December 31, 2021.

[202102647](#)

..recommendation

PASS

Passed

**Yes:** Vice Mayor Smitherman  
Councilmember Goodin  
Councilmember Kearney  
Councilmember Keating  
Councilmember Landsman  
Councilmember Mann  
President Pro Tem Seelbach  
Councilmember Sundermann

**Absent:** Councilmember Young  
Enactment No: 0059-2021

- 53. ORDINANCE** submitted by Paula Boggs Muething, City Manager, on 9/1/2021, **APPROVING** the revised Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan for the Cincinnati Bell Connector as recommended by the streetcar's Accountable Executive and Chief Safety Officer.

[202102655](#)

..recommendation

PASS

Passed

**Yes:** Vice Mayor Smitherman  
Councilmember Goodin  
Councilmember Kearney  
Councilmember Keating  
Councilmember Landsman  
Councilmember Mann  
President Pro Tem Seelbach  
Councilmember Sundermann

**Absent:** Councilmember Young  
Enactment No: 0365-2021

Suspension of the three readings

**Yes:** Vice Mayor Smitherman  
Councilmember Goodin  
Councilmember Kearney  
Councilmember Keating  
Councilmember Landsman  
Councilmember Mann  
President Pro Tem Seelbach  
Councilmember Sundermann

**Absent:** Councilmember Young  
Enactment No: 0365-2021

- 54. ORDINANCE (EMERGENCY)** submitted by Paula Boggs Muething, City

[202102709](#)

Manager, on 9/9/2021, **MODIFYING** the salary range for the classification of Deputy Clerk by amending existing Section 035, Division 9, of chapter 307 of the Cincinnati Municipal Code in order to ensure that the new salary range is consistent with the level of responsibility of this position and competitive with similar positions in the employment marketplace.

Passed Emergency

**Yes:** Vice Mayor Smitherman  
Councilmember Goodin  
Councilmember Kearney  
Councilmember Keating  
Councilmember Landsman  
Councilmember Mann  
President Pro Tem Seelbach  
Councilmember Sundermann

**Absent:** Councilmember Young  
Enactment No: 0366-2021

Suspension of the three readings

**Yes:** Vice Mayor Smitherman  
Councilmember Goodin  
Councilmember Kearney  
Councilmember Keating  
Councilmember Landsman  
Councilmember Mann  
President Pro Tem Seelbach  
Councilmember Sundermann

**No:** Councilmember Young  
Enactment No: 0366-2021

Emergency clause to remain

**Yes:** Vice Mayor Smitherman  
Councilmember Goodin  
Councilmember Kearney  
Councilmember Keating  
Councilmember Landsman  
Councilmember Mann  
President Pro Tem Seelbach  
Councilmember Sundermann

**Absent:** Councilmember Young  
Enactment No: 0366-2021

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**55.****202102759**

**ORDINANCE**, dated 09/09/2021, submitted by Councilmember Landsman, AMENDING Ordinance No. 0008-2021 to increase the number of voting members of the City of Cincinnati Children and Families Cabinet by adding a member from Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center and a member from the Cincinnati Public Schools.

Passed Emergency

**Yes:** Vice Mayor Smitherman  
Councilmember Goodin  
Councilmember Kearney  
Councilmember Keating  
Councilmember Landsman  
Councilmember Mann  
President Pro Tem Seelbach  
Councilmember Sundermann

**Absent:** Councilmember Young  
Enactment No: 0367-2021

Suspension of the three readings

**Yes:** Vice Mayor Smitherman  
Councilmember Goodin  
Councilmember Kearney  
Councilmember Keating  
Councilmember Landsman  
Councilmember Mann  
President Pro Tem Seelbach  
Councilmember Sundermann

**Absent:** Councilmember Young  
Enactment No: 0367-2021

Emergency clause to remain

**Yes:** Vice Mayor Smitherman  
Councilmember Goodin  
Councilmember Kearney  
Councilmember Keating  
Councilmember Landsman  
Councilmember Mann  
President Pro Tem Seelbach  
Councilmember Sundermann

**Absent:** Councilmember Young  
Enactment No: 0367-2021

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The meeting was adjourned at 2:40 p.m. by Mayor John Cranley. The next scheduled meeting of the Council is September 22, 2021.

Melissa Autry, CMC  
Clerk of Council