



# City of Cincinnati

801 Plum Street  
Cincinnati, OH 45202

## Agenda - Final

### Neighborhoods Committee

*Chairperson Jan-Michele Lemon Kearney  
Vice Chair Betsy Sundermann  
Councilmember Wendell Young  
Vice-Mayor Christopher Smitherman*

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Monday, November 22, 2021

11:00 AM

Council Chambers, Room 300

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### AGENDA

1. [202103091](#) **ORDINANCE**, dated 11/09/2021, submitted by Mayor John Cranley, from Andrew W. Garth, City Solicitor, **DECLARING** that the intersection of East Seymour Street and Langdon Farm Road in the Bond Hill neighborhood shall hereby receive the honorary, secondary name of Dr. Steven Reece Way in honor of Dr. Steven Reece and in recognition of his contributions and dedication to the City of Cincinnati.  
  
**Sponsors:** Mayor  
**Attachments:** [Transmittal](#)  
[Ordinance](#)
2. [202103144](#) **Emergency Ordinance, (B VERSION)**, dated 11/09/2021, submitted by Mayor John Cranley, from Andrew W. Garth, City Solicitor, **DECLARING** that the intersection of East Seymour Street and Langdon Farm Road in the Bond Hill neighborhood shall hereby receive the honorary, secondary name of "Dr. Steven Reece Sr. Way" in honor of Dr. Steven Reece Sr. and in recognition of his contribution and dedication to the City of Cincinnati.  
  
**Sponsors:** Mayor  
**Attachments:** [Ordinance](#)
3. [202103109](#) **ORDINANCE**, dated 11/10/2021, submitted by Mayor John Cranley, from Andrew W. Garth, City Solicitor, **DECLARING** that the portion of Harrison Avenue located between Queen City Avenue and Westwood Avenue in the South Fairmount neighborhood shall hereby receive the honorary, secondary name of Moon Tree Bridge in memory of the Moon Tree, a large sycamore tree descended from seeds carried on the Apollo 14 mission to the moon and planted in the South Fairmount neighborhood.  
  
**Sponsors:** Mayor  
**Attachments:** [Transmittal](#)  
[Ordinance](#)

4. [202103114](#) **MOTION**, submitted by Councilmembers Seelbach and Young, **WE MOVE** that the Administration convert the underutilized block of W 12th, between Central Ave & Central Parkway to long term metered parking at the same rate structure as the adjacent parking in existence on Central Ave, for the purpose of providing price sensitive workers & visitors increased parking options while better utilizing a city asset. This block of Parking in the West End adjacent to Over-the-Rhine has one of the lowest meter utilizations in the greater Downtown area, at below 15% utilization on average, as compared with the national standard goal of 85% utilization (for comparison, Vine Street often surpasses 90% utilization). Providing price sensitive low & moderate wage workers and guests an appropriately priced long term parking solution in a low demand area will increase overall meter utilization & provide diverse parking options for the urban core.

**Sponsors:** Seelbach and Young

**Attachments:** [Motion 202103114](#)


5. [202103143](#) **Emergency Ordinance**, dated 11/18/2021, submitted by Vice Mayor Christopher Smitherman, from Andrew W. Garth, City Solicitor, **DECLARING** that Considine Avenue at the intersection with Warsaw Avenue in the East Price Hill neighborhood shall hereby receive the honorary, secondary name "Sergeant Charles F. Handorf Memorial Way" in memory of Cincinnati Police Sergeant Charles F. Handorf and in recognition of his service to the City of Cincinnati.

**Sponsors:** Smitherman

**Attachments:** [Ordinance](#)

ADJOURNMENT

202103091  
**Date:** November 9, 2021

**To:** Mayor John Cranley  
**From:** Andrew W. Garth, City Solicitor   
**Subject:** **Ordinance – Honorary Street Name Dr. Steven Reece Way**

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Transmitted herewith is an ordinance captioned as follows:

**DECLARING** that the intersection of East Seymour Street and Langdon Farm Road in the Bond Hill neighborhood shall hereby receive the honorary, secondary name of Dr. Steven Reece Way in honor of Dr. Steven Reece and in recognition of his contributions and dedication to the City of Cincinnati.

AWG/JRS/(lnk)  
Attachment  
352812

# City of Cincinnati

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

JRS

- 2021

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**DECLARING** that the intersection of East Seymour Street and Langdon Farm Road in the Bond Hill neighborhood shall hereby receive the honorary, secondary name of Dr. Steven Reece Way in honor of Dr. Steven Reece and in recognition of his contributions and dedication to the City of Cincinnati.

WHEREAS, Dr. Steven Reece is a longtime civic leader, businessman, entrepreneur, and leader in civic empowerment in the City of Cincinnati; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Reece graduated from Withrow High school in 1965; and

WHEREAS, following the 1968 riots in the City, Dr. Reece developed Operation Step Up which helped inner city youths with musical talents; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Reece was the Chief of Staff to the City's first African American Mayor, Ted Barry, in 1972 at the age of 27; and

WHEREAS, after leaving City Hall, Dr. Reece founded Communiplex as an advertising, marketing, and promotions company and was a founding member of the first African American Chamber of Commerce in Cincinnati; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Reece has served on the national boards for Rev. Jesse Jackson's Rainbow Push Coalition and Dr. Martin Luther King's Operation Breadbasket; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Reece has served at the New Friendship Baptist Church, has a doctorate degree from Temple Bible College, and is active in the Masons, including by organizing the Black and White Masons to engage for the first time in fraternal recognition; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Steven Reece's contributions and dedication to the City of Cincinnati and its citizens will long be remembered; now, therefore,

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

Section 1. That the intersection of East Seymour Street and Langdon Farm Road in the Bond Hill neighborhood shall hereby receive the honorary, secondary name of Dr. Steven Reece Way in honor of Dr. Steven Reece and in recognition of his contributions and dedication to the City of Cincinnati.

Section 2. That the appropriate City officials are hereby authorized to do all things necessary and proper to implement the provisions of Section 1 herein, including the generation and installation of appropriate secondary street signage, which shall designate the intersection of East Seymour Street and Langdon Farm Road as Dr. Steven Reece Way in accordance with the Department of Transportation and Engineering's procedures relating to street designation and related signage.

Section 3. That a copy of this ordinance be sent to Dr. Reece and his family via the office of Mayor John Cranley.

Section 4. That this ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

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

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John Cranley, Mayor

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

**Date:** November 9, 2021

**To:** Mayor John Cranley  
**From:** Andrew W. Garth, City Solicitor *AWG*  
**Subject:** **Emergency Ordinance – Honorary Street Name Dr. Steven Reece Sr. Way (B  
VERSION)**

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Transmitted herewith is an emergency ordinance captioned as follows:

**DECLARING** that the intersection of East Seymour Street and Langdon Farm Road in the Bond Hill neighborhood shall hereby receive the honorary, secondary name of “Dr. Steven Reece Sr. Way” in honor of Dr. Steven Reece Sr. and in recognition of his contributions and dedication to the City of Cincinnati.

AWG/JRS/(lnk)  
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WHEREAS, Dr. Steven Reece Sr. is a longtime civic leader, businessman, entrepreneur, and leader in civic empowerment in the City of Cincinnati; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Reece Sr. graduated from Withrow High school in 1965; and

WHEREAS, following the 1968 riots in the City, Dr. Reece Sr. developed Operation Step Up which helped inner city youths with musical talents; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Reece Sr. was the Chief of Staff to the City’s first African American Mayor, Ted Barry, in 1972 at the age of 27; and

WHEREAS, after leaving City Hall, Dr. Reece Sr. founded Communiplex as an advertising, marketing, and promotions company and was a founding member of the first African American Chamber of Commerce in Cincinnati; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Reece Sr. has served on the national boards for Rev. Jesse Jackson’s Rainbow Push Coalition and Dr. Martin Luther King’s Operation Breadbasket; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Reece Sr. has served at the New Friendship Baptist Church, has a doctorate degree from Temple Bible College, and is active in the Masons, including by organizing the Black and White Masons to engage for the first time in fraternal recognition; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Steven Reece Sr. and his late wife, Barbara Reece, owned a meeting and banquet center in Bond Hill known as Integrity Hall, which was the largest Black-owned commercial mixed-use development in the City in 1988; and

WHEREAS, for over 20 years, Integrity Hall remained an entrepreneurship center for Black businesses, hosting over 3,000 events, including banquets, weddings, receptions, seminars, family reunions, private parties, and rallies, which included three presidential rallies; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Steven Reece Sr.’s contributions and dedication to the City of Cincinnati and its citizens will long be remembered; now, therefore,

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

Section 1. That the intersection of East Seymour Street and Langdon Farm Road in the Bond Hill neighborhood shall hereby receive the honorary, secondary name of “Dr. Steven Reece Sr. Way” in honor of Dr. Steven Reece Sr. and in recognition of his contributions and dedication to the City of Cincinnati.

Section 2. That the appropriate City officials are hereby authorized to do all things necessary and proper to implement the provisions of Section 1 herein, including the generation and installation of appropriate secondary street signage, which shall designate the intersection of East Seymour Street and Langdon Farm Road as “Dr. Steven Reece Sr. Way” in accordance with the Department of Transportation and Engineering’s procedures relating to street designation and related signage.

Section 3. That a copy of this ordinance be sent to Dr. Steven Reece Sr. and his family via the office of Mayor John Cranley.

Section 4. 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 allow the Department of Transportation and Engineering to move forward with the administrative requirements related to the honorary naming of streets to provide for the ceremony and dedication of the honorary street name at the earliest possible time.

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

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John Cranley, Mayor

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



202103109

**Date:** November 10, 2021

**To:** Mayor John Cranley

**From:** Andrew W. Garth, City Solicitor

*AWG*

**Subject: Ordinance – Honorary Street Name Moon Tree Bridge**

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Transmitted herewith is an ordinance captioned as follows:

**DECLARING** that the portion of Harrison Avenue located between Queen City Avenue and Westwood Avenue in the South Fairmount neighborhood shall hereby receive the honorary, secondary name of Moon Tree Bridge in memory of the Moon Tree, a large sycamore tree descended from seeds carried on the Apollo 14 mission to the moon and planted in the South Fairmount neighborhood.

AWG/JRS/(lnk)  
Attachment  
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1. *Pharmaceutical industry* – The pharmaceutical industry is the largest of the three industries, with sales of \$10.5 billion in 1997. It is the only industry that has not experienced a decline in sales since 1990. The industry is dominated by a few large firms, with the top five firms accounting for 40% of sales. The industry is highly competitive, with many firms competing for market share. The industry is also highly regulated, with the FDA overseeing the approval of new drugs.

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- 2021

**DECLARING** that the portion of Harrison Avenue located between Queen City Avenue and Westwood Avenue in the South Fairmount neighborhood shall hereby receive the honorary, secondary name of Moon Tree Bridge in memory of the Moon Tree, a large sycamore tree descended from seeds carried on the Apollo 14 mission to the moon and planted in the South Fairmount neighborhood.

WHEREAS, in 1971, the Apollo 14 mission travelled to the moon carrying tree seeds that were later planted around the county and grown into trees known as “moon trees”; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Dennis Smith planted a descendant of the moon trees on his property, and it grew to be a large sycamore tree known locally as the “Moon Tree”; and

WHEREAS, the Moon Tree became a prominent landmark in the South Fairmount neighborhood, was well-known among members of the community, and was recognized as a second generation moon tree by NASA; and

WHEREAS, the Moon Tree was removed due to construction constraints associated with the Lick Run Project, but clones of the original Moon Tree have since been planted around the Lick Run; and

WHEREAS, the original Moon Tree has important historical and educational significance to the local community and local schools; and

WHEREAS, the City wishes to recognize the historical and educational importance of the Moon Tree and the Apollo moon missions by bestowing the honorary, secondary name of Moon Tree Bridge on the portion of Harrison Avenue located between Queen City Avenue and Westwood Avenue; now, therefore,

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

Section 1. That the portion of Harrison Avenue located between Queen City Avenue and Westwood Avenue in the South Fairmount neighborhood shall hereby receive the honorary, secondary name of Moon Tree Bridge, in memory of the Moon Tree and the Apollo 14 mission to the moon.

Section 2. That the appropriate City officials are hereby authorized to do all things necessary and proper to implement the provisions of Section 1 herein, including the generation and installation of appropriate secondary street signage, which shall designate the portion of Harrison Avenue located between Queen City Avenue and Westwood Avenue in the South Fairmount neighborhood as the Moon Tree Bridge in accordance with the Department of Transportation and Engineering's procedures relating to street designation and related signage.

Section 3. That the Clerk of Council shall cause a copy of this ordinance to be provided to Mr. Dennis Smith via the office of Mayor John Cranley.

Section 4. That this ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

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

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John Cranley, Mayor

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

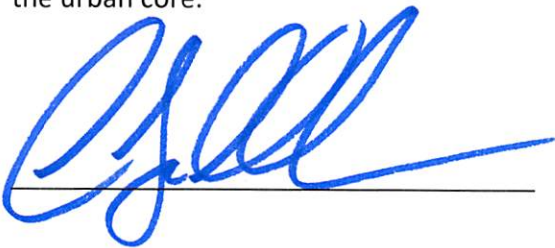
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## MOTION

November 10, 2021

We MOVE that the Administration convert the underutilized block of W 12<sup>th</sup>, between Central Ave & Central Parkway to long term metered parking at the same rate structure as the adjacent parking in existence on Central Ave, for the purpose of providing price sensitive workers & visitors increased parking options while better utilizing a city asset.

This block of Parking in the West End adjacent to Over-the-Rhine has one of the lowest meter utilizations in the greater Downtown area, at below 15% utilization on average, as compared with the national standard goal of 85% utilization (for comparison, Vine Street often surpasses 90% utilization). Providing price sensitive low & moderate wage workers & guests an appropriately priced long term parking solution in a low demand area will increase overall meter utilization & provide diverse parking options for the urban core.





May 25, 2021

To: Mayor and Members of City Council

From: Paula Boggs Muething, City Manager *WW for PRM* 202102043

Subject: **Emergency Ordinance – Planning Department Administrative Code Amendment**

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Attached is an Emergency Ordinance captioned:

AMENDING Section 1, "Department of City Planning," and Section 2, "Duties of the Director of the Department of City Planning," of Article XXV, "Department of City Planning," of the Administrative Code of the City of Cincinnati to establish the department's operational role as the primary facilitator of community engagement activities in connection with city planning, land use, and development-related matters.

The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to establish the Department of City Planning and Engagement's ("Planning") operational role as the primary facilitator of community engagement activities in connection with city planning, land use, and development-related matters in order to align with the City's existing administrative needs and operations. This amendment is also intended to make clear that the Planning staff, who have expertise in community engagement practices, can be engaged in other operational areas for facilitating engagement on City-driven projects (such as significant streetscape changes); however, these type of community engagement activities, outside of the core operational areas listed in the amendment, will be assigned to Planning on a case-by-case basis by the City Manager, depending on project need and available staffing capacity.

The Administration recommends passage of this Emergency Ordinance.

cc: William Weber, Assistant City Manager

**EMERGENCY**

**City of Cincinnati**  
**An Ordinance No. \_\_\_\_\_**

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- 2021

**AMENDING** Section 1, "Department of City Planning," and Section 2, "Duties of the Director of the Department of City Planning," of Article XXV, "Department of City Planning," of the Administrative Code of the City of Cincinnati to establish the department's operational role as the primary facilitator of community engagement activities in connection with city planning, land use, and development-related matters.

WHEREAS, modifying the description of the duties of the Department of City Planning to include the department's role as the primary facilitator of community engagement activities in connection with city planning, land use, and development-related matters is necessary to align with the City's existing administrative needs and to enhance public engagement of community stakeholders; now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Cincinnati, State of Ohio, with three-fourths of its members concurring:

Section 1. That Section 1, "Department of City Planning," and Section 2, "Duties of the Director of the Department of City Planning," of Article XXV, "Department of City Planning," of the Administrative Code, are hereby amended as follows:

**ARTICLE XXV. – DEPARTMENT OF CITY PLANNING AND ENGAGEMENT**

**Sec 1. – Department of City Planning and Engagement.**

There is hereby established a department of city planning and engagement to be administered by a director of the department of city planning and engagement, who shall be appointed by and subject to the supervision and control of the city manager. The city planning commission shall advise the city manager on the appointment and removal of the director of the department of city planning and engagement. The department of city planning and engagement shall consist of the director of the department of city planning and engagement and other supporting officers and employees appointed or assigned to serve under the direction and supervision of the director.

**Sec 2. – Duties of the Director of the Department of City Planning and Engagement.**

The director of the department of city planning and engagement shall direct the urban planning function of the city of Cincinnati; shall advise the council and the city manager on matters affecting the physical improvement and development of the city; shall

provide professional services and guidance to the city planning commission as necessary to assist it in the performance of all duties and responsibilities conferred upon it by the charter; shall work in cooperation with the office of the urban conservator to recommend and effectuate the designation of historic assets and historic districts; develop the city's comprehensive plan, neighborhood plans, and other plans and oversee their implementation; develop and recommend amendments to the city's official zoning map, zoning regulations, and other land use regulations; serve as the city's liaison to, and primary facilitator for community engagement of~~to~~, community councils, citizens, and businesses on all city planning, ~~and~~ land use, and development-related matters; and shall perform other duties assigned by the city manager or by ordinance of council. The director shall submit to the city planning commission for review an annual department work program, which shall guide the work of the department and the commission for the year ahead within the budget recommended by the commission and approved by the council.

Section 2. That existing Sections 1 and 2 of Article XXV of the Administrative Code, "Department of City Planning," are hereby repealed.

Section 3. 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 establish the Department of City Planning and Engagement's operational role as the primary facilitator of community engagement activities in connection with city planning, land use, and development-related matters in order to align with the City's existing administrative needs.

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

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John Cranley, Mayor

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

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New language is underscored. Deleted language is struck through.