MOTION

Budget Adjustments and Modifications with View Toward a Structurally Balanced City Budget

WE MOVE that the Mayor’s budget be adopted with the following changes:

1. Councilmember Wendell Young and Councilmember Charlie Winburn’s pre-apprenticeship/ex-offender plan be funded as follows:
   a. That Cincinnati City Council amend the Mayor’s proposed Fiscal Year 2015 budget to include the following budget adjustment of which $150,000 will be allocated from the funds of $250,000 that have been set aside for job creation, job training, and ex-offender opportunities to support Tech Ready Apprentices in Commercial Construction (TRACC), a workforce preparation service in the trade of commercial construction that will provide support and pre-apprenticeship training for no less than 60 at-risk young adults, returning citizens (ex-offenders) and low income individuals over the next 12 months.
   b. $250,000 one-time capital grant for the BLOC Ministries, Inc. to be paid for from the $500,000 loan repayment on the Federal Reserve building located at 4th and Race. (See attached proposal).

2. Initiate funding for Mayor Cranley’s Hand Up Initiative by appropriating a one-time grant of $250,000 to Cincinnati Works to be paid for by $250,000 of the $500,000 on the Federal Reserve building located at 4th and Race. (It is anticipated that in future years this will be funded by CDBG dollars).

3. Appropriate $230,000 specifically to the Home Health Nursing program to restore 2.5 home health nursing positions. This money is contingent on the health department using other funds from its budget to pay for the remainder of the cost to fully fund all positions associated with home health nursing. The $230,000 should be paid for out of the reserve for contingencies.

4. Direct $350,000 in blight removal monies in the FY’15 Community Development Block Grant Hazard Abatement and Barricade program, to the Bond Hill Development Corporation for use by the Corporation in addressing blight in Bond Hill. (This is budget neutral.)

5. Direct the City Manager to complete the following relative to the Port of Greater Cincinnati Development Authority:
   a. Execute a letter of intent for a 30-year lease agreement with the Port of Greater Cincinnati Development Authority relative to Fountain Square South Garage in order to leverage the leasehold interest by June 4, 2014; and
   b. That City Council be on record for supporting the Port of Greater Cincinnati Development Authority with a long-term revenue stream relative to leveraging future city dollars to foster a long-term partnership and collaboration that builds greater trust.

6. Redefine the bicycle transportation capital budget description as “funding activities that enhance and improve bicycle/pedestrian transportation, safety and access citywide and as part of the larger regional effort. Specific improvement projects may include bicycle safe inlets, bicycle lanes, sharrow, bike racks, parking, signage, railroad crossings, traffic improvements, safety projects and multi-use paths/off road trails. This project helps fund labor, materials, and technologies needed to plan, design, acquire right-of-way, build, survey, and inspect the proposed improvements; and before moving ahead, specific new bicycle initiatives be the subject of community deliberation and support and explicit council approval, including a vote of Council.”
7. If the Office of Environment and Sustainability is able to save money from renegotiating the Rumpke contract, those savings should be used exclusively for:
   a. the expenses of the aggregation program(s)
   b. supporting an Energy Manager position within the Office of Environment and Sustainability; which is a much needed expert-level position, and
   c. programs to accelerate adoption of energy efficiency and renewable energy measures in Cincinnati which will among other benefits save the City of Cincinnati money. (This is budget neutral).

8. Transfer $32,000 from the reserve contingencies for the operation of the Camp Washington pool.

9. We pledge to work with Cradle Cincinnati to find ways to reduce infant mortality, and in the coming months we will search for new ways to provide Cradle Cincinnati with $250,000 in funding.

10. Councilman Wendell Young calls for the administration to restore $500,000 in funding to the Enterprise technology Solutions Capitol Projects Budget for FY 2015 by making a cut of 18% across-the-board cut to the City’s Non-Personnel Expenses; specifically from Object Codes 7200-Contractual Services and 7300-Materials and Supplies. (See Business Courier article regarding this security and public safety issue dated May 30, 2014).

11. We ask the Administration to identify $500,000 in the public infrastructure budget that can be used by CMBDU for their projects.