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**MOTION**

**We move that the following changes be made to the City Manager's recommended 2013 Operating Budget:**

**KEEP THE CITY ECONOMICALLY COMPETITIVE**

- Do not eliminate Income Tax Reciprocity, ensuring that the tax code remains fair for all residents of Cincinnati. Use \$4.8 million of parking franchise revenue in 2013 to offset the budget impact.

**MAINTAIN A SAFER CITY**

- Include in the 2014 budget both a Police recruit class and a Fire recruit class regardless if the SAFER Grant is awarded.
- Use \$105,000 from the Police Off Duty Detail Fee approved by the Budget and Finance Committee on December 10 to restore the Police Mounted Patrol for a minimum of 7 officers. This funding will cover the cost of boarding 9 horses, providing veterinary care, feed, bedding, transportation costs, blacksmith fees and additional related costs.
- Use \$86,740 from the Police Off Duty Detail Fee to restore security guard services to City Hall and eliminate the use of Police Officers to provide those security guard services.
- Use \$56,280 of the Reserve for Contingencies to restore the Domestic Violence Advocate in the Law Department.

**ENSURE THE HEALTH OF OUR CITIZENS**

- Use \$250,000 from the Lump Sum Payments Account to support the Cincinnati Health Department's work to lower the infant mortality rate.

**DON'T TAKE FROM THOSE MOST IN NEED**

- Use \$532,000 from the Reserve for Contingencies to restore Human Services Funding to the 2012 level.

**PRESERVE WORLD CLASS PARKS AND ARTS**

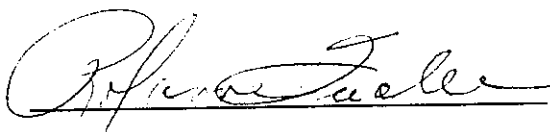
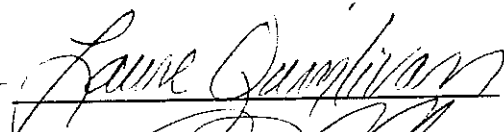
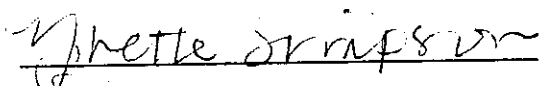
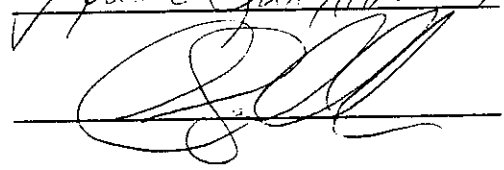
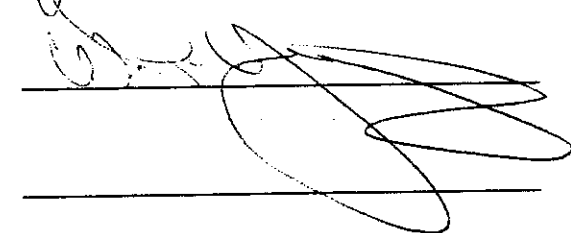
- Use \$50,000 from the Reserve for Contingencies to restore funding for maintenance and beautification at Washington Park.
- Use \$50,000 from the Reserve for Contingencies for the Cincinnati Arts Ambassador Fellowship, bringing the arts grants funding back to the 2012 level.

**We further move that the following change be made to the City Manager's recommended 2013 Capital Budget:**

- Use \$50,000 from the Facility Renovation and Repair Fund to assist the Contemporary Arts Center with capital repairs and upgrades.

**We further move that the administration undertake the following budget neutral items:**

- The number of lane miles paved in the years 2013 and 2014 should average over the two year period at least 100 lane miles per year. The minimum of 100 lane miles should be considered a top priority when developing all subsequent biennial budgets.
- The Administration will issue three separate Requests for Proposals in their commitment to pave an average of at least 100 lane miles per year. This will provide greater opportunity for SBEs to compete in the process and to obtain contracts and grow their businesses.
- The Cincinnati Retirement System Board should study the current COLA offered to retirees and report to Council with any recommended changes.
- The Budget Office should involve the Plan Cincinnati Implementation Committee in an in-depth review of the Capital Plan, studying how well the projects align with the Comprehensive Plan. The Budget Office and the Implementation Committee should report back to Council by June with recommendations on how the Capital Plan and Plan Cincinnati can be better aligned.
- The administration should track and report on the 17 programs /services proposed for service sharing with other jurisdictions in the same way as the administration tracked and reported on the Budget Policy Motions in the 2011-2012 budget process. The administration should report to Council monthly.
- The administration should explore mandatory filing of a simple City Income Tax return. Cities, such as Hamilton, Ohio, have increased their collections by implementing this requirement.

  
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