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June 8, 2015

### **MOTION**

WE MOVE that the following measure be implemented as part of the FY 2016-2017 All Funds Capital and Operating Budgets.

#### **Enterprise Technology Services Capital Acceleration Program**

WE MOVE that as part of the Capital Acceleration Program (CAP) that \$3 million additional funds be borrowed and allocated to Enterprise Technology Services (ETS) in FY2017 to more quickly advance badly needed upgrades to the City's information technology infrastructure.

#### **STATEMENT**

In FY 2016, the City is undertaking an overall assessment of the needs of the city as to Information Technology. With the City's recent commitment to Open Data, CincyStat, and the creation of the Office of Performance & Data Analytics, it is essential that the City be equipped with the tools needed to implement modern efficiency measures and data gathering. It is essential that all city departments communicate with each other to increase the effectiveness of the city as a whole. The savings identified in Report 2014-01245 justify the advance of capital dollars which will be quickly recaptured and the savings compounded over the coming years in one small area of Human Resource record keeping.



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### **MOTION**

WE MOVE that the following measure be implemented as part of the FY 2016-2017 All Funds Capital Budget.

### **Capital Funding Reallocation**

WE MOVE that the capital spending item set forth in the Department of Transportation and Engineering Capital Budget of \$270,000 for Glenway Avenue Gateway Wall be removed from the Fiscal Years 2016-2017 All Funds Capital Budget and that the money be placed in unallocated surplus.

#### **STATEMENT**

This project appears to be ½ of the funding necessary to repair a privately owned retaining wall. The city is filled with these private retaining walls and funding, even partially, the cost of maintenance and repair of the walls sets a dangerous precedent.



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WE MOVE that the following measure be implemented as part of the FY 2016-2017 All Funds Capital and Operating Budgets.

### Parking System Facilities Fund Revenue Reclassification and Reallocation

WE MOVE that a new on-street Parking System Fund be created, separate from the off-street fund currently in existence. All revenue generated from parking meter receipts, as well as all revenue received from tickets issued for on-street parking violations be transferred to the On-Street Parking System Fund. In addition all capital and operating expenses related to on-street parking shall be transferred to the On-Street Parking System Fund.

WE FURTHER MOVE that the Administration transfer \$750,000 in incremental revenue from the moneys generated in FY2015 as a result of the increased costs, hours, and enforcement and an additional \$650,000 in FY2016 be transferred to a restricted fund for the purposes of operating the Cincinnati Streetcar in accordance with Council directive as previously established via Council Item No. 201401368.

#### **STATEMENT**

In November 2014, Council took action to fund the operations of the Cincinnati Streetcar, without such funding adversely affecting the General Operating Budget. One portion of this funding plan involved diverting \$1,500,000 per year from increased parking revenues generated from Over-The-Rhine and the Central Business District. The plan took effect January 1, 2015. Therefore, \$750,000 from the second half of FY 2015 needs to be placed in the Streetcar Fund and \$650,000 more than the \$850,000 identified in the City Manager's Budget for FY 2016 needs to be placed in this streetcar fund.



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### **MOTION**

WE MOVE that the following measure be implemented as part of the FY 2016-2017 All Funds Operating Budget.

### Law Department FTE Increase and Collections Program

WE MOVE that the City Administration implement an FTE increase of one lawyer and one paralegal/legal assistant in the Law Department at an initial cost estimated at \$150,000 to be funded by the creation of a special fund within the Law Department for the collection of fines, citations and other assessments. The funding required to pay all salaries, benefits, and other costs associated with this program will be drawn from collections efforts where the Law Department is successful in concluding matters referred to it from City Departments.

#### **STATEMENT**

The Law Department will receive a percentage of the amount collected based on the following phases of involvement:

Percentage	Stage of Litigation
10%	Demand letter sent
20%	Pre-trial settlement beyond initial demand letter
30%	Trial

The City currently lacks the resources to fully pursue millions of dollars in civil penalties from fines, citations, and other assessments, which then go uncollected unless and until an amnesty is declared. Using the methodology set forth in this Motion, the Law Department will have the assets necessary to recover these moneys owed to the City, the City will generate the revenue needed to administer this expanded effort, and a windfall for the General Fund will be created from scofflaws owing money to the taxpayers of Cincinnati.



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### **MOTION**

WE MOVE that the following measure be implemented as part of the FY 2016-2017 All Funds Capital and Operating Budgets.

### **Human Services Funding Reallocation**

WE MOVE that the following human services related items be removed as specific allocations in the FY 2016-2017 All Funds Capital and Operating Budgets and that the money that would have been allocated to these items be placed in a fund to be dispersed upon completion of an objective review process to either be administered by the City Manager, the United Way, or any other qualified organization:

- \$750,000 for the Center for Closing the Health Gap contractual services;
- \$250,000 for the Cincinnati Works Hand Up Initiative;
- \$45,000 for the operation of the Winter Shelter provided by Strategies to End Homelessness;
- \$50,000 for the Center for Chemical Addictions Treatment (CCAT);
- \$250,000 for BLOC Ministries; and
- \$65,000 from the unallocated surplus of FY 2015.

#### **STATEMENT**

Council, as a matter of policy, has previously determined that application, review, award, and analysis of outcomes, by a disinterested third party is the most transparent and effective use of our limited human services funding. It is likely many of the organizations listed above are worthy of City funding and nothing in this Motion precludes these agencies from receiving funding in FY 2016. With limited financial resources, it is essential that the City enforces an objective process that enables it to direct its money to organizations with an application, review, and verifiable result process.



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The combined total of the above available funding for human services is \$1,410,000. With this funding and the \$1,590,000 that the United Way allocates on behalf of the City, the City will fully fund the \$3,000,000 City Council identified for human services funding via Council Item No. 201401219.



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