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Motion

WE MOVE that the Mayor's Recommendations on the Proposed Update to the 2007/2008 Budget be approved with the following amendments:

General Fund

Savings

WE MOVE that water bottles provided to Councilmembers and the water tank in Council Chambers be eliminated, saving \$580.00.

~~**WE MOVE** that the Administration design and implement a red light traffic enforcement program in order to enhance public safety by increasing compliance with traffic control devices and reducing the number of vehicular traffic accidents in the City, which program is also predicted to result in a minimum of \$1 million in additional revenue.~~

WE MOVE that the 2% raises for the Mayor and Councilmembers be eliminated, saving \$14,740.

WE MOVE that the Citizens' Survey be eliminated, saving \$60,000.

WE MOVE that the Administration eliminate \$1 million of \$3.7 million in funded vacant positions.

WE MOVE that the City contract with an outside, independent insurance agency for liability insurance against lawsuits, claims and settlements, saving \$800,000.

Total Savings: \$2,875,320

Restorations and Additions

WE MOVE that CIRV streetworkers be funded in the amount of \$430,000.

WE MOVE that Cincinnati Union Bethel's Off the Streets initiative be funded in the amount of \$50,000.

WE MOVE that \$25,000 be allocated to the Office of Environmental Quality for the purpose of continuing remediation of the Hilton Davis site in conjunction with the Pleasant Ridge Community Council per the 1986 consent decree entered into between the State of Ohio and the Hilton Davis company.

WE MOVE that the Bicycle Transportation Program be restored in the amount of \$52,000.

WE MOVE that a separate Fire Dispatch center be maintained in the amount of \$247,010.

WE MOVE that the Fire Recruit class proposed to be delayed until 2009 be advanced to October of 2008, which will ensure that the staffing level of the Fire Department does not fall below 841, at a cost of \$425,660.

WE MOVE that the Neighborhood Business District Support Fund be funded in the amount of \$200,000.

WE MOVE that the Mayor's Youth Jobs and Opportunities Fair be funded in the amount of \$30,000 and that it be administered by the Department of Community Development in conjunction with the Mayor's Office.

WE MOVE that the Center for Closing the Health Gap be funded in the amount of \$250,000.

WE MOVE that the Postponing Sexual Involvement Development Program be funded in the amount of \$100,000.

WE MOVE that funding in the amount \$100,000 be earmarked for implementation of the Scenic View Study Recommendations.

WE MOVE that the Parks Department implement a program¹ to beautify and maintain the following greenspaces, streetscapes and business districts, at a cost of \$144,000:

Greenspaces:

Beechmont Avenue at Columbia Parkway
Beechmont at Route 32
Beechmont Ave. at Beechmont Circle
Reading Road at 562
Madison Road at Observatory Ave.
Central Parkway between Ezzard Charles and Sycamore

Streetscapes and Business Districts:

Mt. Washington
Northside
Westwood
Bond Hill
Roselawn
Pleasant Ridge
Evanston
O'Bryonville

WE MOVE that \$100,000 be transferred from the Public Services Department to the Parks Department and that an additional \$30,000 be appropriated to the Parks Department for continued greenspace maintenance at Pete Rose Way at Broadway; 2nd Avenue at 3rd Street; Queen City Avenue; Morton Triangle in Mt. Airy; and the memorial Floral Beds along I-71 North.

WE MOVE that the Millcreek Restoration Project be funded in the amount of \$15,000.

WE MOVE that the Take Back Our Streets program be increased by an additional \$776,650 over the Mayor's recommended funding of \$950,000, bringing total funding of the program to \$1,726,650. We further move that all funds for this program be used solely for the purpose of providing walking patrols, especially in neighborhood business districts. We further move that all Take Back Our Streets funding be placed in a separate account and that a monthly report be submitted to Council in the format attached. We move that any use of these funds for anything but walking patrols require passage of a specific ordinance by Council.

WE MOVE that revenue collected in 2007 in excess of this update budget be committed to the working capital reserve.

Total Expenditures: \$2,875,320

¹ See attached Parks Department proposal.

Capital

Savings

WE MOVE that the Findlay Market Improvements be eliminated, saving \$100,000.

WE MOVE that the Information Systems PC Replacement Plan in the Recreation Department be eliminated, saving \$130,000.

WE MOVE that \$500,000 of \$2 million for City Facility Renovations be eliminated.

WE MOVE that \$2,500,000 be paid from the Water Works Unappropriated Surplus to reimburse the Capital budget for maintenance of the water main under Central Parkway.

Total Savings: \$3,230,000

Additions

WE MOVE that construction and architectural drawings for the Mt. Lookout streetscape project be funded in the amount of \$65,000.

WE MOVE that renovation of the Parkland Theatre in Sayler Park be funded in the amount of \$50,000, and that \$50,000 also be made available for other capital community projects in Sayler Park and that the City work with Sayler Park Village to find the best use of these funds.

WE MOVE that the Fergus Street Homeownership Project in Northside be funded in the amount of \$370,000.

WE MOVE that improvements for the Madisonville Business District be funded in the amount of \$500,000.

WE MOVE that an I-75 Corridor Planning and Design Consultant be funded in the amount of \$250,000.

WE MOVE that a fund be established in the amount of \$1,245,000 for the purchase, demolition and/or renovation of foreclosed properties in neighborhoods throughout the city, including but not limited to Westwood, Northside, Evanston, College Hill, Kennedy Heights and Madisonville.

WE MOVE that the Street Calming Program be restored in the amount of \$500,000.

~~**WE MOVE** that the Freedom Center be funded in the amount of \$200,000.~~

WE MOVE that of the \$613,000 set aside by City Council for a special events small arts capital program, \$300,00 should be used for small arts capital grants and \$313,000 should be used for special events. We further move that any event receiving a city subsidy be required to hire City of Cincinnati Police and Fire when such services are required. **This item is budget neutral.**

Total Expenditures: \$3,230,000

Consolidated

WE MOVE that Central Clinic Renovations be funded in the amount of \$100,000, and that this funding come from CDBG dollars in the Human Service Facility Improvements Fund.

Miscellaneous

WE MOVE that the \$300,000 Small Arts Capital Program, the \$216,120 Small Arts and Individual Artist Grants program, and the \$120,000 Artworks program be housed in one Department and have one person overseeing the entire Cincinnati Arts program. Presently several small arts programs are scattered throughout the City Administration, which results in a lack of coordination and makes long range planning difficult.. The Community Development Department would be a suitable location for the program; however, City Council will await a recommendation from the City Manager before making a final determination about where this combined arts program will be housed. **This item is budget neutral.**

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