



Luann G. Welmer, City Clerk

City Council Members

All terms are January 01, 2024-December 31, 2027

Frank Miller, District 4 – President
Jerone Wood, District 3
Josh Burnett, At-Large

Dr. Christopher Bartels, District 1
Kent Anderson, District 5
Tom Dell, At-Large

Elaine Hilber, District 2
Jay Foyst, District 6
Grace Kestler, At-Large

Information provided in compliance with I.C. 5-14-9

City Council Meeting Agenda Council Chambers Tuesday, July 21, 2026 6:00 P.M.

I. Meeting Called to Order

- A. Invocation
- B. Pledge of Allegiance
- C. Roll Call
- D. Acceptance of Minutes

II. Old Business

- A. None

III. New Business

- A. First reading of an Ordinance entitled "ORDINANCE NO.____, 2026, AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS FROM THE GENERAL FUND FOR THE BUDGET YEAR 2026." Regina McIntyre
- B. First reading of an Ordinance entitled "ORDINANCE NO.____, 2026, AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS

FROM THE PUBLIC SAFETY LIT FUND FOR THE BUDGET YEAR 2026." Regina McIntyre

- C. First reading of an Ordinance entitled "ORDINANCE NO.____, 2026, AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS FROM THE INSURANCE NON-REVERTING FUND FOR THE BUDGET YEAR 2026." Regina McIntyre
- D. First reading of an Ordinance entitled "ORDINANCE NO.____, 2026, AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS FROM THE GENERAL FUND TO THE INSURANCE NON-REVERTING FUND FOR THE BUDGET YEAR 2026." Regina McIntyre
- E. First reading of an Ordinance entitled "ORDINANCE NO.____, 2026, AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS FROM THE GENERAL FUND FOR THE BUDGET YEAR 2026." Regina McIntyre
- F. First reading of an Ordinance entitled "ORDINANCE NO.____, 2026, AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS FROM THE GENERAL FUND FOR THE BUDGET YEAR 2026." Ashley Beckort
- G. First reading of an Ordinance entitled "ORDINANCE NO.____, 2026, AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS FROM THE MOTOR VEHICLE HIGHWAY FUND FOR THE BUDGET YEAR 2026." Bryan Burton
- H. First reading of an Ordinance entitled "ORDINANCE NO.____, 2026, AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS FROM THE STREETScape NON REVERTING FUND FOR THE BUDGET YEAR 2026." Jake Sipe and Bryan Burton
- I. First reading of an Ordinance entitled "ORDINANCE NO.____, 2026, AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS FROM THE PARK BOND PROCEED FUND FOR THE BUDGET YEAR 2026." Nikki Murphy
- J. First reading of an Ordinance entitled "ORDINANCE NO.____, 2026, AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS FROM THE READI FUND FOR THE BUDGET YEAR 2026." Eric Frey

IV. Other Business

- A. Standing Committee and Liaison Reports
- B. The next meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday, August 4, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.**

C. Adjournment

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<https://www.columbus.in.gov/video/live-streaming/>.

Columbus City Council Meetings are accessible to people of all abilities. The City of Columbus works to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). If you require an accommodation to attend a meeting, please contact Jody Coffman at (812) 376-2302 at least 48 hours prior to the start of the meeting.

A Public Comment session for non-agenda items is provided at the end of the Council meeting as an opportunity for residents to address the City Council Members about matters pertaining to the City. Participation is encouraged, however, to respect others who wish to speak, public comment is not intended to be a public conversation. Before speaking, a person must provide their name and address for public record. Each speaker is given a reasonable amount of time to speak (determined by the City Council President). Any speaker that engages in personal attacks and/or acts in an uncivil manner will be stopped and may be prohibited from future opportunities to publicly address the Council. All requests to speak must be submitted in writing prior to the meeting either online at <https://www.columbus.in.gov/addressing-city-council-sign-up-form/> or by filling out a paper form located on the Tech Table in Council Chambers.

ORDINANCE NO. _____, 2026

**AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION
OF FUNDS FROM THE GENERAL FUND FOR THE BUDGET YEAR 2026**

WHEREAS, the Indiana General Assembly has adopted a policy to grant local units of government all powers that they need for the effective operation of government as to local affairs through Indiana Code 36-1-3-2; and

WHEREAS, the 911 Operations Joint Council met and agreed to move forward with replacing the core radio system in 2026 as well as the purchase of a utility power supply system; and

WHEREAS, the city's portion of 911 Operations expenditures is 55% per the interlocal agreement; and

WHEREAS, the city respectfully requests to appropriate \$370,000 to General Fund 1101 for the city's portion of these purchases; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED AND ORDAINED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, INDIANA, that for the 911 capital expenses previously-described herein, the additional sums of money set forth below are hereby appropriated as follows:

Fund	Fund Number	Category	Account Number	Account Description	Amount
General Fund	1101	Capital Expenditures	10112200-544524	Capital Expenditures	\$370,000.00
Fund Total					\$370,000.00

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that the above additional appropriation shall be effective as of the date of adoption of this Ordinance.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that the City Controller and the Mayor be and are hereby authorized and empowered and directed to take any and all further actions necessary to effect this additional appropriation.

ADOPTED, by the Common Council of the City of Columbus, Indiana, this ____ day of _____, 2026 at _____ o'clock ____ .M. by a vote of ____ ayes and ____ nays.

Presiding Officer

ATTEST:

Luann Welmer

Clerk of the City of Columbus, Indiana

Presented by me to the Mayor of the City of Columbus, Indiana, the _____ day of _____, 2026 at _____ o'clock ____ .M.

Luann Welmer
Clerk of the City of Columbus, Indiana

Approved by me, Mayor of the City of Columbus, Indiana, this _____ day of _____, 2026 at _____ o'clock ____ .m.

Mary K. Ferdon
Mayor of the City of Columbus, Indiana

ATTEST:

I hereby certify that the foregoing within and attached Ordinance was duly passed by the Common Council of the City of Columbus, Indiana, at a meeting thereof held on the 4th day of August 2026, by the following vote:

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Mary K. Ferdon, Mayor

ORDINANCE NO. _____, 2026

**AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION
OF FUNDS FROM THE PUBLIC SAFETY LIT FUND FOR THE BUDGET YEAR 2026**

WHEREAS, the Indiana General Assembly has adopted a policy to grant local units of government all powers that they need for the effective operation of government as to local affairs through Indiana Code 36-1-3-2; and

WHEREAS, the city's portion of 911 Operations expenditures is 55% per the interlocal agreement and is budgeted annually in the Public Safety LIT fund 2240; and

WHEREAS, the county bills the city for its portion quarterly and is typically a quarter in arrears, but only three total quarters were billed in 2025. It is anticipated that the county may catch up billings in 2026 thereby causing the current year expenditures to cover five total quarters of operational billings; and

WHEREAS, the city respectfully requests to appropriate \$325,000 to Public Safety LIT Fund 2240 for the city's obligation for the additional quarter of billing in 2026; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED AND ORDAINED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, INDIANA, that for the 911 operational expenses previously-described herein, the additional sums of money set forth below are hereby appropriated as follows:

Fund	Fund Number	Category	Account Number	Account Description	Amount
Public Safety LIT	2240	Other Services and Charges	20700000-539400	Grant Expenditures	\$325,000.00
Fund Total					\$325,000.00

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that the above additional appropriation shall be effective as of the date of adoption of this Ordinance.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that the City Controller and the Mayor be and are hereby authorized and empowered and directed to take any and all further actions necessary to effect this additional appropriation.

ADOPTED, by the Common Council of the City of Columbus, Indiana, this ____ day of _____, 2026 at _____ o'clock ____ .M. by a vote of ____ ayes and ____ nays.

Presiding Officer

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ORDINANCE NO. _____, 2026

**AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION
OF FUNDS FROM THE INSURANCE NON-REVERTING FUND FOR THE BUDGET
YEAR 2026**

WHEREAS, the Indiana General Assembly has adopted a policy to grant local units of government all powers that they need for the effective operation of government as to local affairs through Indiana Code 36-1-3-2; and

WHEREAS, the city participates in a self-funded health insurance benefit for all employees of the city. The Insurance Non-Reverting Fund 7704 serves as the account in which those funds are held and medical expenses are paid to the Third Party Administrator (TPA – SIHO) for medical claims; and

WHEREAS, the city has experienced an extraordinary level of medical claims expenditures during 2026 year to date; and

WHEREAS, the city respectfully requests to appropriate \$5,500,000 to Insurance Non-Reverting Fund 7704 for the city's obligation for the medical expenses of its employees; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED AND ORDAINED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, INDIANA, that for the medical expenses previously-described herein, the additional sums of money set forth below are hereby appropriated as follows:

Fund	Fund Number	Category	Account Number	Account Description	Amount
Insurance Non-Reverting	7704	Other Services and Charges	70490000-530400	Health Insurance Payments	\$5,500,000.00
Fund Total					\$5,500,000.00

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that the above additional appropriation shall be effective as of the date of adoption of this Ordinance.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that the City Controller and the Mayor be and are hereby authorized and empowered and directed to take any and all further actions necessary to effect this additional appropriation.

ADOPTED, by the Common Council of the City of Columbus, Indiana, this ____ day of _____, 2026 at _____ o'clock ____ .M. by a vote of ____ ayes and ____ nays.

Presiding Officer

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BUDGET YEAR 2026**

WHEREAS, the Indiana General Assembly has adopted a policy to grant local units of government all powers that they need for the effective operation of government as to local affairs through Indiana Code 36-1-3-2; and

WHEREAS, the city participates in a self-funded health insurance benefit for all employees of the city. The Insurance Non-Reverting Fund 7704 serves as the account in which those funds are held and medical expenses are paid to the Third Party Administrator (TPA – SIHO) for medical claims; and

WHEREAS, the city has experienced an extraordinary level of medical claims expenditures during the end of 2025 and 2026 year to date which has resulted in a depletion of fund balance well below the desired 50% reserve level; and

WHEREAS, the city respectfully requests to appropriate and transfer \$2,600,000 from General Fund 1101 to Insurance Non-Reverting Fund 7704 for the replenishment of the fund balance level to 50% reserves calculated as of May 2026; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED AND ORDAINED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, INDIANA, that for the transfer of funds herein, the additional sums of money set forth below are hereby appropriated as follows:

Fund	Fund Number	Category	Account Number	Account Description	Amount
General Fund	1101	Transfers	10110000-570400	Transfers Out	\$2,600,000.00
Fund Total					\$2,600,000.00

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that the above additional appropriation shall be effective as of the date of adoption of this Ordinance.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that the City Controller and the Mayor be and are hereby authorized and empowered and directed to take any and all further actions necessary to effect this additional appropriation and subsequent transfer of funds.

ADOPTED, by the Common Council of the City of Columbus, Indiana, this ____ day of _____, 2026 at _____ o'clock ____ M. by a vote of ____ ayes and ____ nays.

Presiding Officer

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WHEREAS, the Indiana General Assembly has adopted a policy to grant local units of government all powers that they need for the effective operation of government as to local affairs through Indiana Code 36-1-3-2; and

WHEREAS, the city covers building maintenance needs within the General Fund under the department of Facility Maintenance; and

WHEREAS, the city had a broken glass repair for the front entry way of City Hall that will be 80% reimbursed by insurance claim reimbursement. Additionally, the city encumbered funds for chair replacements in Council Chambers, but due to unforeseen issues with the vendor, had to change vendors in ordering the chairs and therefore needs to re-appropriate the encumbered funds; and

WHEREAS, the city respectfully requests to appropriate \$114,450 to General Fund 1101; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED AND ORDAINED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, INDIANA, that for the maintenance expenditures previously-described herein, the additional sums of money set forth below are hereby appropriated as follows:

Fund	Fund Number	Category	Account Number	Account Description	Amount
General Fund	1101	Other Services and Charges	10110600-537000	Building Repair Services	\$114,450.00
Fund Total					\$114,450.00

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that the above additional appropriation shall be effective as of the date of adoption of this Ordinance.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that the City Controller and the Mayor be and are hereby authorized and empowered and directed to take any and all further actions necessary to effect this additional appropriation.

ADOPTED, by the Common Council of the City of Columbus, Indiana, this ____ day of _____, 2026 at _____ o'clock ____ .M. by a vote of ____ ayes and ____ nays.

Presiding Officer

ATTEST:

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Clerk of the City of Columbus, Indiana

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**AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION
OF FUNDS FROM THE GENERAL FUND FOR THE BUDGET YEAR 2026**

WHEREAS, the Indiana General Assembly has adopted a policy to grant local units of government all powers that they need for the effective operation of government as to local affairs through Indiana Code 36-1-3-2; and

WHEREAS, the General Fund – MPO Consulting Line budget is calculated based upon expected Federal allocations for the coming year and is updated in the Spring based on un-expended federal funds; and

WHEREAS, the adjustment to this line item for 2026 budget year is \$103,192 bringing the total line item budget to \$385,488; and

WHEREAS, the city respectfully requests to appropriate \$103,192 to General Fund 1101; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED AND ORDAINED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, INDIANA, that for the federal adjustment previously-described herein, the additional sums of money set forth below are hereby appropriated as follows:

Fund	Fund Number	Category	Account Number	Account Description	Amount
General Fund	1101	Other Services and Charges	10113000-531200	Consulting Services	\$103,192.00
Fund Total					\$103,192.00

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that the above additional appropriation shall be effective as of the date of adoption of this Ordinance.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that the City Controller and the Mayor be and are hereby authorized and empowered and directed to take any and all further actions necessary to effect this additional appropriation.

ADOPTED, by the Common Council of the City of Columbus, Indiana, this ____ day of _____, 2026 at _____ o'clock ____ .M. by a vote of ____ ayes and ____ nays.

Presiding Officer

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Mary K. Ferdon, Mayor

ORDINANCE NO. _____, 2026

**AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION
OF FUNDS FROM THE MOTOR VEHICLE HIGHWAY FUND FOR THE BUDGET
YEAR 2026**

WHEREAS, the Indiana General Assembly has adopted a policy to grant local units of government all powers that they need for the effective operation of government as to local affairs through Indiana Code 36-1-3-2; and

WHEREAS, the Motor Vehicle Highway fund covers certain street maintenance and equipment expenditures for the city; and

WHEREAS, the city has had two significantly large engine repair expenditures from this fund ; and

WHEREAS, the city respectfully requests to appropriate \$70,000 to Motor Vehicle Highway Fund 2201; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED AND ORDAINED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, INDIANA, that for the maintenance expenditures previously-described herein, the additional sums of money set forth below are hereby appropriated as follows:

Fund	Fund Number	Category	Account Number	Account Description	Amount
Motor Vehicle Highway	2201	Other Services and Charges	20132100-537500	Miscellaneous Repair Other	\$70,000.00
Fund Total					\$70,000.00

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that the above additional appropriation shall be effective as of the date of adoption of this Ordinance.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that the City Controller and the Mayor be and are hereby authorized and empowered and directed to take any and all further actions necessary to effect this additional appropriation.

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The foregoing within and attached Ordinance passed by the Common Council of the City of Columbus, Indiana, on the 4th day of August 2026, is presented by me this 5th day of August 2026, at 10:00 o'clock A.M, to the Mayor of the City of Columbus, Indiana.

Luann Welmer
Clerk of the Common Council

The foregoing within and attached Ordinance passed by the Common Council of the City of Columbus, Indiana, on the 4th day of August 2026, is approved by me this 5th day of August 2026, at _____ o'clock _____.M.

Mary K. Ferdon, Mayor

ORDINANCE NO. _____, 2026

**AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION
OF FUNDS FROM THE STREETScape NON REVERTING FUND FOR THE
BUDGET YEAR 2026**

WHEREAS, the Indiana General Assembly has adopted a policy to grant local units of government all powers that they need for the effective operation of government as to local affairs through Indiana Code 36-1-3-2; and

WHEREAS, the Streetscape Non Reverting fund covers certain beautification improvements in the city; and

WHEREAS, the city would like to cover some additional expenses in the downtown area. These expenses include replacing banner arms for the banner flags along Washington Street, removing and replacing plan material in Lot 10, and purchasing 66 total trash and recycle cans (33 each). The cans will be reimbursed at 80% or \$100,000 through a grant award; and

WHEREAS, the city respectfully requests to appropriate \$294,000 to Streetscape Non Reverting Fund 2511; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED AND ORDAINED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, INDIANA, that for the beautification expenditures previously-described herein, the additional sums of money set forth below are hereby appropriated as follows:

Fund	Fund Number	Category	Account Number	Account Description	Amount
Streetscape Non Reverting	2511	Other Services and Charges	27610400-531900	Miscellaneous Professional Services	\$294,000.00
Fund Total					\$294,000.00

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that the above additional appropriation shall be effective as of the date of adoption of this Ordinance.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that the City Controller and the Mayor be and are hereby authorized and empowered and directed to take any and all further actions necessary to effect this additional appropriation.

ADOPTED, by the Common Council of the City of Columbus, Indiana, this ____ day of _____, 2026 at _____ o'clock ____ .M. by a vote of ____ ayes and ____ nays.

Presiding Officer

ATTEST:

Luann Welmer
Clerk of the City of Columbus, Indiana

Presented by me to the Mayor of the City of Columbus, Indiana, the _____ day of _____, 2026 at _____ o'clock _____.M.

Luann Welmer
Clerk of the City of Columbus, Indiana

Approved by me, Mayor of the City of Columbus, Indiana, this _____ day of _____, 2026 at _____ o'clock _____.m.

Mary K. Ferdon
Mayor of the City of Columbus, Indiana

ATTEST:

I hereby certify that the foregoing within and attached Ordinance was duly passed by the Common Council of the City of Columbus, Indiana, at a meeting thereof held on the 4th day of August 2026, by the following vote:

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Mary K. Ferdon, Mayor

ORDINANCE NO. _____, 2026

**AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION
OF FUNDS FROM THE PARK BOND PROCEED FUND FOR THE BUDGET YEAR
2026**

WHEREAS, the Indiana General Assembly has adopted a policy to grant local units of government all powers that they need for the effective operation of government as to local affairs through Indiana Code 36-1-3-2; and

WHEREAS, the Park Bond Proceed fund has remaining funds from the bond proceeds unspent and available for the bond specific project scope; and

WHEREAS, the city would like to finish the planned build out of the fitness center within the Nexus Park facility; and

WHEREAS, the city respectfully requests to appropriate \$529,460 to Park Bond Proceed Fund 4418; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED AND ORDAINED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, INDIANA, that for the project expenditures previously-described herein, the additional sums of money set forth below are hereby appropriated as follows:

Fund	Fund Number	Category	Account Number	Account Description	Amount
Park Bond Proceed	4418	Capital Expenditures	44180001-545000	Bond Proceeds	\$529,460.00
Fund Total					\$529,460.00

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that the above additional appropriation shall be effective as of the date of adoption of this Ordinance.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that the City Controller and the Mayor be and are hereby authorized and empowered and directed to take any and all further actions necessary to effect this additional appropriation.

ADOPTED, by the Common Council of the City of Columbus, Indiana, this ____ day of _____, 2026 at _____ o'clock ____ .M. by a vote of ____ ayes and ____ nays.

Presiding Officer

ATTEST:

Luann Welmer
Clerk of the City of Columbus, Indiana

Presented by me to the Mayor of the City of Columbus, Indiana, the _____ day of _____, 2026 at _____ o'clock _____.M.

Luann Welmer
Clerk of the City of Columbus, Indiana

Approved by me, Mayor of the City of Columbus, Indiana, this _____ day of _____, 2026 at _____ o'clock _____.m.

Mary K. Ferdon
Mayor of the City of Columbus, Indiana

ATTEST:

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Mary K. Ferdon, Mayor

ORDINANCE NO. _____, 2026

**AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION
OF FUNDS FROM THE READI FUND FOR THE BUDGET YEAR 2026**

WHEREAS, the Indiana General Assembly has adopted a policy to grant local units of government all powers that they need for the effective operation of government as to local affairs through Indiana Code 36-1-3-2; and

WHEREAS, the READI fund is a restricted fund used exclusively for READI Grant award receipts and expenditures; and

WHEREAS, the city has been awarded READI funds for four distinct initiatives. These initiatives includes the Animal Care building project, Columbus Gateway Access Road project, Lincoln Turf project, and the Arts and Cultural Bus Shelter project; and

WHEREAS, the city respectfully requests to appropriate \$3,808,690 to READI Fund 2408 for monies awarded; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED AND ORDAINED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, INDIANA, that for the project expenditures previously-described herein, the additional sums of money set forth below are hereby appropriated as follows:

Fund	Fund Number	Category	Account Number	Account Description	Amount
READI Fund	2408	Other Services and Charges	24082090-539400	Grant Expenditures (Animal Care)	\$1,753,750.00
READI Fund	2408	Other Services and Charges	24081110-539400	Grant Expenditures (Columbus Gateway)	\$500,000.00
READI Fund	2408	Other Services and Charges	24080273-539400	Grant Expenditures (Lincoln Park Turf)	\$1,225,000.00
READI Fund	2408	Other Services and Charges	24081160-539400	Grant Expenditures (Bus Shelters)	\$329,940.00
Fund Total					\$3,808,690.00

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ADOPTED, by the Common Council of the City of Columbus, Indiana, this ____ day of _____, 2026 at _____ o'clock ____ .M. by a vote of ____ ayes and ____ nays.

Presiding Officer

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Clerk of the City of Columbus, Indiana

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