

Tips for Letters-to-the-Editor

Cincinnati Enquirer guidelines: Limit letters to 100 words. All letters may be edited for space and clarity. Longer letters may be considered for other features on the Editorial Page, Opinions Page, or in Sunday Forum. Letters, opinion and editorial columns, and articles submitted to The Enquirer may be published or distributed in print, electronic or other forms. Please include your name, address (including community) and day phone.

- **Write your letter in response to [CUFA's Opinion Editorial, "Smart government engages taxpayers to solve issues," published Dec. 30, 2020](#)**. The purpose of our letter is to call on City Council and the County Commissioners to pass legislation that will require public engagement on infrastructure and development projects, and public money allocation in support of private enterprise. [You can find a draft of the City ordinance here](#). The County Commissioners have been provided with the same draft.
- **If you are writing your letter on behalf of an organization, business or community council, include the name of the group and your title, if applicable.**
- Talk about a government project in your neighborhood that would have been improved with meaningful public engagement – or a government project that did not have community support, but happened anyway, due to the lack of meaningful public engagement.
- Talk about an infrastructure project – sewers, water, roads and bridges – that could have been improved by government leaders listening to the needs of your community.
- Talk about private development projects that used public resources that did not benefit the residents of your community – or one that did benefit the community because of meaningful public engagement.
- Talk about the expertise in your community, the work you and your neighbors have put in to create a shared vision for your neighborhood's future. Talk about the benefit of using government resources to support your community's vision.
- You can submit letters a several ways:
 - Online: <https://static.cincinnati.com/letter/>
 - Snail mail: Letters, Enquirer Editorial Page, 312 Elm St., Cincinnati, OH 45202;
 - Fax: (513) 768-8569; or
 - E-mail: letters@enquirer.com (Please send e-mailed letters as plain text without attachments.)
- **Include a link, the date and title, or a description of CUFA's article with your submission. Try to submit right away. Thank you!**