

October 15, 2025

To: Mayor and Members of City Council

From: Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager

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Subject: Ordinance – Police: FY 2025 Urban Area Security Initiatives (UASI) Grant Program

Attached is an Ordinance captioned:

AUTHORIZING the City Manager to apply for a grant of up to \$2,082,000 from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency, FY 2025 Homeland Security Grant Program, Urban Area Security Initiative (the “UASI Grant”) (ALN 97.067) to assist the City in preventing, preparing for, protecting against, and responding to acts of terrorism; **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to accept the transfer of equipment and supplies valued at up to \$1,889,500 from the Hamilton County Emergency Management and Homeland Security Agency, which acts as the regional fiscal agent for the UASI Grant; **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to accept and appropriate up to \$192,500 to support the Greater Cincinnati Fusion Center; and **AUTHORIZING** the Director of Finance to deposit the grant funds into Law Enforcement Grant Fund 368x8553, project account no. 25UASI.

This Ordinance authorizes the City Manager to apply for a grant of up to \$2,082,000 from the United States Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), FY 2025 Homeland Security Grant Program, Urban Area Security Initiative (ALN 97.067) to assist the City in preventing, preparing for, protecting against, and responding to acts of terrorism. This Ordinance also authorizes the City Manager to accept the transfer of equipment and supplies valued at up to \$1,889,500 from the Hamilton County Emergency Management and Homeland Security Agency, which acts as the regional fiscal agent for the UASI Grant. This Ordinance also authorizes the City Manager to accept and appropriate up to \$192,500 to support the Greater Cincinnati Fusion Center (GCFC). This Ordinance further authorizes the Director of Finance to deposit the grant funds into Law Enforcement Grant Fund 368x8553, project account no. 25UASI.

The equipment and supplies received by the Cincinnati Police Department (CPD) will be used to enhance the protection of soft targets and crowded places, respond to threats of civil disorder, and allow for intelligence and information analysis and sharing. Funding will support salary and fringe benefits for a Supervisory Intelligence Analyst and software at the Greater Cincinnati Fusion Center.

There are no new FTEs/full time equivalents associated with this grant. The grant does not require matching funds, but if the salary and benefits for the Supervisory

Intelligence Analyst surpass the grant allowance, the additional costs will be paid from the CPD General Fund Operating Budget.

The grant application deadline was October 17, 2025, and the City already has applied for the grant, but no grant resources will be accepted without approval by the City Council.

Preventing, preparing for, protecting against, and responding to acts of terrorism is in accordance with the “Live” goal to “[c]reate a more livable community” as described on pages 156-162 of Plan Cincinnati (2012).

The Administration recommends passage of this Ordinance.

cc: Andrew Dudas, Budget Director
Steve Webb, Finance Director



Attachment