

September 21, 2022

To: Mayor and Members of City Council

From: Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager *WJ* 202201806

Subject: **Emergency Ordinance – Police: FY 2021 Project Safe Neighborhoods (PSN) Grant**

Attached is an Emergency Ordinance captioned:

AUTHORIZING the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant in the amount of up to \$288,200 in FY 2021 Project Safe Neighborhoods funds from the United States Attorney’s Office, Southern District of Ohio, administered by the Office of Criminal Justice Services (ALN 16.609), for the purchase and implementation of the FususOne platform, a real-time video and incident management system with video-sharing capabilities and a community-facing portal that will aid in the response to and investigation of violent crime; and **AUTHORIZING** the Finance Director to deposit the grant funds into Law Enforcement Grant Fund 368, Project Account No. 21PSN.

This Emergency Ordinance authorizes the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant in an amount up to \$288,200 in FY 2021 Project Safe Neighborhoods funds from the United States Attorney’s Office, Southern District of Ohio, administered by the Office of Criminal Justice Services (Assistance Listing Number (ALN) 16.609), for the purchase and implementation of the FususOne platform, a real-time video and incident management system with video-sharing capabilities and a community-facing portal that will aid in the response to and investigation of violent crime. This Emergency Ordinance further authorizes the Finance Director to deposit the grant funds into Law Enforcement Grant Fund 368, Project Account No. 21PSN.

The Project Safe Neighborhoods initiative supports projects that lead to a sustained reduction in violent crime, including criminal gang activities and the felonious possession and use of firearms.

The grant application deadline was August 29, 2022, and the Cincinnati Police Department applied for the grant prior to receiving City Council approval. Should this Emergency Ordinance not be approved, the grant award will not be accepted. The grant does not require matching funds and no new FTEs are associated with the grant.

This Ordinance is in accordance with the “Live” goal to “[c]reate a more livable community” as described on pages 156-163 of Plan Cincinnati (2012).

The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to ensure the timely acceptance of grant funds.

The Administration recommends passage of this Emergency Ordinance.

cc: Andrew Dudas, Budget Director
Karen Alder, Finance Director

Attachment

