

May 5, 2021

To: Mayor and Members of City Council 202101595

From: Paula Boggs Muething, City Manager

Subject: Emergency Ordinance – FY 2021 Port Security Grant Program

Attached is an Emergency Ordinance captioned:

AUTHORIZING the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant in the amount of up to \$171,325 from the United States Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency for a grant from the FY 2021 FEMA Port Security Grant Program (CFDA 97.056), for the purpose of funding three separate equipment needs, including Marine Rescue/Dive Team equipment and support and maintenance of the Ohio River Port Security Camera Network for the Cincinnati Police Department, and dry decon kits, a weighted rescue dummy, and ice suits for the Cincinnati Fire Department.

This Emergency Ordinance would authorize the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant for up to the amount of \$171,325 from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), for Marine Rescue/Dive Team equipment, and support/maintenance of the Ohio River Port Security Camera Network for the Police Department (CPD), and Dry Decon Kits, Weighted Rescue Dummy, and Ice Suits for the Fire Department (CFD).

The grant requires matching funds of up to \$57,108. Of that amount, \$51,608 would come from CPD and \$5,500 from CFD. The CPD match source for the Marine Rescue/Dive Team equipment (\$30,522) is Federal Asset Forfeiture Fund 367. Designated CPD staff time will serve as an in-kind match for the Ohio River Port Security Camera Network (\$21,086). CPD grant funds will be deposited into Law Enforcement Grant Fund 368, Program Code 21PORT. The CFD source for matching funds is 050x271x7300, and grant funds will be deposited into Fire Grants Fund 472.

This Emergency Ordinance is in accordance with the Live goal to “Create a more livable community” as described on page 156 of Plan Cincinnati (2012).

The reason for the emergency is the need to accept the awarded funds in a timely manner.

The Administration recommends passage of this Emergency Ordinance.

cc: Christopher A. Bigham, Assistant City Manager
Karen Alder, Finance Director

Attachment

