**AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant of up to \$175,000 in FY 2025 Community Policing Development Microgrants funds from the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (ALN 16.710), to enhance the Understudy Program, which works to recruit and retain police officer candidates between the ages of eighteen and 21 until they are of eligible age to enter the police academy; and **AUTHORIZING** the Director of Finance to deposit the grant funds into Law Enforcement Grant Fund 368x8553, project account no. 25WDEV.

WHEREAS, there is a grant available through the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Community Oriented Policing Services to enhance the Cincinnati Police Department's Understudy Program, which works to recruit and retain police officer candidates between the ages of eighteen and 21, by funding the hiring of part-time understudies, the purchase of a passenger van and other supplies, and limited travel to support the program; and

WHEREAS, the grant application deadline was June 30, 2025, and the City has already applied for the grant, but no funds will be accepted without Council approval; and

WHEREAS, this grant does not require matching funds, and there are no new FTEs/full time equivalents associated with this grant; and

WHEREAS, recruiting and retaining police officer candidates is in accordance with the "Live" goal to "[c]reate a more livable community" as described on pages 156-162 of Plan Cincinnati (2012); now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Cincinnati, State of Ohio:

Section 1. That the City Manager is authorized to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant of up to \$175,000 in FY 2025 Community Policing Development Microgrants funds from the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (ALN 16.710), to enhance the Understudy Program, which works to recruit and retain police officer candidates between the ages of eighteen and 21 until they are of eligible age to enter the police academy.

Section 2. That the Director of Finance is authorized to deposit the grant funds into Law Enforcement Grant Fund 368x8553, project account no. 25WDEV.

Section 3. That the proper City officials are authorized to do all things necessary and proper to carry out the terms of the grant and Sections 1 and 2.

Section 4. That this ordinance shall be an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, safety, and general welfare and shall, subject to the terms of Article II, Section 6 of the Charter, be effective immediately. The reason for the emergency is the need to ensure timely acceptance of the grant funds.

Passed:		, 2025	
			Aftab Pureval, Mayor
Attest:			
	Clerk		