

May 24, 2023

To: Mayor and Members of City Council 202301485

From: Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager

Subject: **Ordinance – Police: FY 2024 Selective Traffic Enforcement Program (STEP) Grant**

Attached is an Ordinance captioned:

AUTHORIZING the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a Selective Traffic Enforcement Program grant of up to \$65,000 from the State of Ohio Department of Public Safety, Ohio Traffic Safety Office (ALN 20.600), for the purpose of funding a program to reduce deaths and injuries resulting from vehicular accidents due to speeding, loss of control, restraint violations, operating a vehicle under the influence, and high visibility enforcement efforts to reduce fatal accidents; and **AUTHORIZING** the Director of Finance to deposit the grant funds into Law Enforcement Grant Fund 368, project account no. 23STEP.

This Ordinance authorizes the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a Selective Traffic Enforcement Program grant of up to \$65,000 from the State of Ohio Department of Public Safety (ODPS), Ohio Traffic Safety Office (OTSO) (ALN 20.600). This Ordinance also authorizes the Finance Director to deposit the grant funds into Law Enforcement Grant Fund 368, project account no. 23STEP.

The grant is available through the State of Ohio Department of Public Safety, Ohio Traffic Safety Office, to provide funding for a STEP program to reduce death and injuries resulting from vehicular accidents due to speeding, loss of control, restraint violations, operating a vehicle under the influence, and high visibility enforcement efforts to reduce fatal accidents.

The grant application deadline is May 30, 2023, and the Cincinnati Police Department intends to apply by this date, but no grant funds will be accepted without approval from the City Council.

There are no new FTEs associated with this grant, and no matching funds are required.

Acceptance of this grant 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 Administration recommends passage of this Ordinance.

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



Attachment