

June 23, 2022

To: Mayor and Members of City Council

From: John P. Curp, Interim City Manager



202201456

Subject: **Emergency Ordinance – Police: FY 2022 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 \$342,514, effective FY 2023, from the United States Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency for a grant from the FY 2022 Port Security Grant Program (ALN 97.056), for the purpose of funding the Cincinnati Police Department's Patrol Boat Program and maintaining the Police Department's Ohio River Port Security Camera Network, as well as providing funding to the Cincinnati Fire Department for swiftwater and surface rescue training and the Cold Weather Gear Project; and **AUTHORIZING** the Director of Finance to deposit the grant funds for the Police Department into Law Enforcement Grant Fund 368, program code 22PORT, and the grant funds for the Fire Department into Fire Grant Fund 472, effective FY 2023.

This Emergency Ordinance would authorize the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant for up to the amount of \$342,514, effective FY 2023, from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), for a grant from the FY 2022 Port Security Grant Program (ALN 97.056) for the purpose of funding support of the Patrol Boat Program and maintenance of the Ohio River Port Security Camera Network for the Police Department (CPD), and swiftwater and surface rescue training as well as support of the Cold Weather Gear Project for the Fire Department (CFD).

The grant requires matching funds of up to \$113,619. Of that amount, \$107,744 would come from CPD and \$5,875 from CFD. For the Patrol Boat Program, the Police Department intends to use the unappropriated surplus of Federal Asset Forfeiture Fund 367 for \$25,000 of the required matching funds. The Police Department would pursue donations for the remaining \$62,447 needed in matching funds. The grant funds will not be accepted without the required matching funds. CPD will submit an Ordinance to accept any donated funds received. Designated CPD staff time will serve as an in-kind match for the Ohio River Port Security Camera Network in the amount of \$20,297. The source of the CFD matching funds of \$5,875 will be provided by General Fund operating budget non-personnel account no. 050x271x5200x7369.

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

The reason for the emergency is the need to ensure the City’s timely acceptance of the grant funds.

The Administration recommends passage of this Emergency Ordinance.

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



Attachment