

August 1, 2022

To: Members of the Budget and Finance Committee

From: John P. Curp, Interim City Manager *سپ* 202201624

Subject: **Emergency Ordinance – Police: FY 2022-2023 Selective Traffic Enforcement Program (STEP) Grant**

Attached is an Emergency Ordinance captioned:

AUTHORIZING the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a Selective Traffic Enforcement Program grant of up to \$60,000, from the State of Ohio Department of Public Safety, Ohio Traffic Safety Office, 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 Finance Director to deposit the grant resources into Law Enforcement Grant Fund 368, Project Account No. 22STEP.

This Emergency Ordinance authorizes the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant in an amount up to \$60,000 from the State of Ohio Department of Public Safety (ODPS), Ohio Traffic Safety Office (OTSO) (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. This Emergency Ordinance also authorizes the Finance Director to deposit the grant resources into Law Enforcement Grant Fund 368, Project Account No. 22STEP.

The Selective Traffic Enforcement Program (STEP) aims 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.

The grant application deadline was May 31, 2022. Should this Emergency Ordinance not be approved, the grant award will not be accepted.

The grant does not require any matching funds and would not create any additional FTEs.

Acceptance of the STEP grant 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 to ensure that the City can accept the STEP grant funds in a timely manner.

The Administration recommends passage of this Emergency Ordinance.

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

Attachment

