

January 4, 2024

To: Mayor and Members of City Council

From: Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager

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**Subject: Emergency Ordinance – Cincinnati Police Department:
Amending Ordinance No. 0159-2023**

Attached is an Emergency Ordinance captioned:

AMENDING Ordinance No. 159-2023 to increase the matching funds related to the FY 2023 COPS Hiring Program Grant to up to \$7,964,550.

This Emergency Ordinance would amend Ordinance No. 0159-2023 to increase the matching funds related to the FY 2023 COPS Hiring Program Grant to up to \$7,964,550.

On May 17, 2023, the City Council approved Ordinance No. 0159-2023, which authorized the City Manger to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant of up to \$6,250,000 from the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ), Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS), FY 2023 COPS Hiring Program (ALN 16.710) to hire up to fifty entry-level police officers.

When the City Council approved Ordinance No. 0159-2023, the Cincinnati Police Department expected to provide matching funds of up to \$7,964,532. Instead, the grant agreement stipulates that the Cincinnati Police Department must provide matching funds of up to \$7,964,550, an \$18 increase. Ordinance No. 0159-2023 must be amended to allow the City to provide the increased matching funds of up to \$7,964,550.

The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to comply with the grant acceptance deadline and the grant requirements.

The Administration recommends passage of this Emergency Ordinance.

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

Attachment