AUTHORIZING the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant of up to \$1,756,864, effective in FY 2026, from the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) through the Technology and Equipment Program for Congressionally Directed Spending (ALN 16.710) to support the Cincinnati Police Department and the Emergency Communications Center's adoption of enhanced technology to improve differential response to calls for service; and **AUTHORIZING** the Director of Finance to deposit the grant funds into Law Enforcement Grant Fund 368x8553, project account no. 26HCDS.

WHEREAS, a grant of up to \$1,756,864 is available from the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) through the Technology and Equipment Program for Congressionally Directed Spending (ALN 16.710) to provide resources for the Cincinnati Police Department and the Emergency Communications Center to adopt innovative, immersive technology focused on improving differential response to calls for service; and

WHEREAS, the grant funds will support collaboration amongst the Real Time Crime Center, the 311 Community Responders Program, and the Drone Program to reduce response time; and

WHEREAS, the City already has submitted a Congressionally Directed Spending request to meet the April 23, 2025 submission deadline, but no grant funds will be accepted without approval by Council; and

WHEREAS, Senator Jon Husted will soon release requested projects to be reviewed by the U.S. Senate Appropriations Committee; and

WHEREAS, if approved by the U.S. Senate Appropriations Committee, the City may be required to complete an additional grant application; and

WHEREAS, this grant requires no matching funds; and

WHEREAS, two new FTEs/full time equivalents are associated with this grant; and

WHEREAS, utilizing enhanced technology to improve differential response to calls for emergency service 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:

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Section 2. That the Director of Finance is authorized to deposit the grant funds into Law Enforcement Grant Fund 368x8553, project account no. 26HCDS.

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 take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Passed:		, 2025	
			Aftab Pureval, Mayor
Attest:			
	Clerk		