

April 22, 2026

To: Mayor and Members of City Council
From: Sheryl M.M. Long, City Manager
Subject: **Council Report on Traffic Enforcement**

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REFERENCE DOCUMENT #202600192

On January 20, 2026, Councilmember Mark Jeffreys referred the following item for report:

MOTION, submitted by Councilmember Jeffreys, **WE MOVE** that the City Administration issue a report within sixty (60) days that:

- Outlines traffic citations overall and by neighborhood for 2025, and update the same for the previous four years;
- Shares how many 'traffic blitzes' there were in 2025 and the number of citations and stops for each traffic blitz;
- Outlines plans for 'traffic blitzes' and other plans for traffic enforcement in 2026;
- Shares the number of crashes that CPD responded to on Interstate Highways (1-74/75/71) within city limits in 2024 & 2025, including the total Full Time Equivalent (FTE) hours spent responding to those crashes and the subsequent follow-up.

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Data is preliminary, and subject to further analysis and revision



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Table 1:	Traffic Citation Counts by neighborhood from 2021 through 2025
Table 2:	Traffic Citation Counts by District from 2021 through 2025
Table 3:	Crash Summary Statistics for those occurring on 1-74, 1-71, and 1-75 - 2024 and 2025, including FTE hours spent on crash investigations
Table 4:	Blitz Details occurring in 2025
Table 5:	Traffic Initiative Plans in 2026

OTHER PLANS FOR TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT IN 2026

Districts will participate in the 2026 Traffic Blitz events and use both data and complaints from the community and community councils to proactively address traffic concerns. Data driven approaches to crime and traffic safety, e.g., crash data, provided by Crime Analysis and Problem Solving (CAPS) will assist districts to conduct enforcement efforts where needed. Traffic enforcement plans are driven through data analysis and initiatives may be spontaneous in response at the district level.

Districts will also continue to assist and give recommendations to the Department of Transportation and Engineering (DOTe) in support of their traffic calming efforts. The districts will continue to conduct periodic enforcement in the short term, repeatedly looking for longer term solutions, such as a change in traffic patterns, etc. Additionally, Neighborhood Liaison Units will conduct traffic/pedestrian safety training at community meetings and at schools. Several designated traffic enforcement officers have been selected to focus on reducing speeding, auto accidents, while increasing pedestrian safety.

GRANTS/ORDINANCES

Ordinance No. 2025-142 of the City of Cincinnati is authorizing the City to apply for, accept, and appropriate a Selective Traffic Enforcement Program grant from the State of Ohio Department of Public Safety, 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.

Ordinance No. 2025-141 of the City of Cincinnati is authorizing the City to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant from the Ohio Department of Public Safety, the Ohio Traffic Safety Office's FY26 Impaired Driving Enforcement Program, to aid in reducing death and injuries resulting from vehicular accidents.

Ordinance No. 2025-143 of the City of Cincinnati is authorizing the City to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant from the State of Ohio Department of Public Safety, Ohio Traffic Safety Office, to fund a Traffic Safety Resource Prosecutor (TSRP) position to provide training, education, and technical support to traffic crimes prosecutors and law enforcement agencies throughout the State of Ohio, and to develop a coordinated statewide, multidisciplinary planned approach to the prosecution of impaired driving and other traffic crimes in Ohio.

CONCLUSION

The Cincinnati Police Department will continue to conduct periodic short term traffic enforcement while repeatedly looking for longer term solutions in addition to the continued collaboration with their partners on traffic enforcement and traffic calming measures. Additionally, CPD will continue to utilize data driven approaches to crime and traffic safety, e.g., crash data, in collaboration with Crime Analysis and Problem Solving (CAPS).

CPD will utilize the listed grant funding to collaborate with the Traffic Unit, who has staff supervision over the Department's selective enforcement program and other specialized traffic-related programs. The Traffic Unit acts as a liaison and an implementation site for state programs such as the seat belt and holiday drunk driving programs, 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.

Attachment

