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City of Cincinnati

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An Ordinance No. 502 - 2021

**AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to accept and appropriate the transfer of the remaining balances and the obligations associated with four (FY 2018, FY 2019, FY 2020, and FY 2021) Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency, State Homeland Security Program - Law Enforcement grants (Assistance Listing #97.067) as pass through grants from the Ohio Emergency Management Agency for Ohio Region 6 in the total amount of up to \$548,048.39 from the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office for the purpose of deobligating the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office as the lead agency for the Greater Cincinnati Fusion Center and establishing new grant award agreements with the Cincinnati Police Department as the new lead agency; and **AUTHORIZING** the Finance Director to deposit the grant funds in the amounts of \$15,508.82 for the State Homeland Security Program - Law Enforcement to Law Enforcement Grant Fund 368, Project Account No. 18SHSP, \$107,060.57 for the State Homeland Security Program - Law Enforcement to Law Enforcement Grant Fund 368, Project Account No. 19SHSP, \$199,569 for the State Homeland Security Program - Law Enforcement to Law Enforcement Grant Fund 368, Project Account No. 20SHSP, and \$225,910 for the State Homeland Security Program - Law Enforcement to Law Enforcement Grant Fund 368, Project Account No. 21SHSP.

WHEREAS, the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office has been the lead agency overseeing pass through grant funding from the United States Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency from the Ohio Emergency Management Agency to operate the Greater Cincinnati Fusion Center ("GCFC") which serves to combat potential domestic extremism, violence, and terrorist activity and also serves as a focal point for the receipt, analysis, gathering, and sharing of threat-related information between local, tribal, territorial, state, and federal partners, and private sector stakeholders; and

WHEREAS, the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office does not want to continue as the lead agency for the GCFC effective December 31, 2021, but the Cincinnati Police Department ("CPD") would become the lead agency in order to maintain continuity of operations; and

WHEREAS, a total amount of up to \$548,048.39 is available from the past four (FY 2018, FY 2019, FY 2020, and FY 2021) Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency, State Homeland Security Program - Law Enforcement grants which will be transferred to the CPD; and

WHEREAS, grant funds will be used by the CPD to operate the GCFC, and those grant funds pay for intelligence and other related software, training, automatic license plate reader cameras and licenses, and various network and cybersecurity tools; and

WHEREAS, grant funds also cover the personnel costs of an amount of up to \$86,101 annually under the terms of the current grants for 1.0 FTE who performs analyst duties for the

GCFC, with any personnel and benefits costs above that amount being absorbed by the existing CPD General Fund operating budget; and

WHEREAS, CPD also will absorb an additional 1.0 FTE who performs analyst duties for the GCFC through the existing CPD General Fund operating budget; and

WHEREAS, various equipment and resources acquired with grant funds also will transfer to the City, including three vehicles (a 2014 Dodge Charger, a 2015 Dodge Charger, and a 2012 Ford Econoline Van) which must remain assigned to the GCFC; and

WHEREAS, this ordinance is in accordance with the “Live” goal to “[c]reate a more livable community,” as described on page 156 and to “[s]upport our neighborhoods,” as described on page 171 and the “Collaborate” goal to “[i]mprove service efficiency” as described on pages 215-216 of Plan Cincinnati (2012); now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Cincinnati, State of Ohio:

Section 1. That the City Manager is hereby authorized to accept and appropriate the transfer of four (FY 2018-2021) Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency, State Homeland Security Program - Law Enforcement grants (Assistance Listing #97.067) as pass through grants from the Ohio Emergency Management Agency for Ohio Region 6 in the total amount of up to \$548,048.39 from the Hamilton County Sheriff’s Office for the purpose of deobligating the Hamilton County Sheriff’s Office as the lead agency for the Greater Cincinnati Fusion Center and establishing new grant award agreements with the Cincinnati Police Department as the new lead agency.

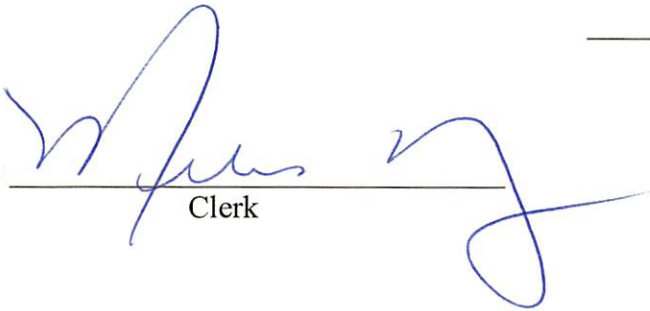
Section 2. That the Director of Finance is hereby authorized to deposit such grant funds in an amount up to \$15,508.82 for the State Homeland Security Program - Law Enforcement grant to Law Enforcement Grant Fund 368, Project Account No. 18SHSP, in an amount up to \$107,060.57 for the State Homeland Security Program – Law Enforcement grant to Law Enforcement Grant Fund 368, Project Account No. 19SHSP, in an amount up to \$199,569 for the State Homeland Security Program – Law Enforcement grant to Law Enforcement Grant Fund 368, Project Account No. 20SHSP, and in an amount up to \$225,910 for the State Homeland Security

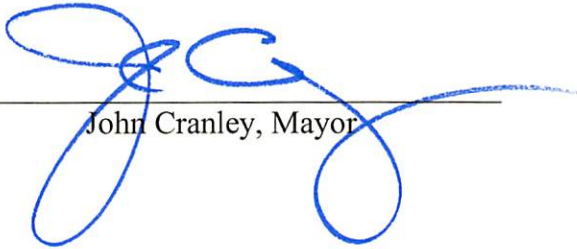
Program – Law Enforcement grant to Law Enforcement Grant Fund 368, Project Account No. 21SHSP.

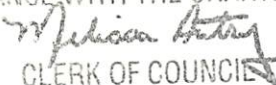
Section 3. That the proper City officials are hereby authorized to do all things necessary and proper to comply with the terms of Sections 1 and 2 hereof.

Section 4. That this ordinance shall be an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, safety, and general welfare and shall, subject to the terms of Article II, Section 6 of the Charter, be effective immediately. The reason for the emergency is the need for grant awards and funds to be transferred to the City effective January 1, 2022.

Passed: December 15, 2021

Attest:   
Clerk

  
John Cranley, Mayor

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT ORDINANCE NO 002-2021  
WAS PUBLISHED IN THE CITY BULLETIN  
IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CHARTER ON 12-28-2021  
  
CLERK OF COUNCIL