## EMERGENCY

## City of Cincinnati

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## An Ordinance No. 277

- 2025

**AUTHORIZING** a payment of \$17,350 from County Law Enforcement Applied Regionally (CLEAR) Fund non-personnel operating budget account no. 457x093x7100x7417 to the Ohio State Highway Patrol for access to the Law Enforcement Automated Data System (LEADS) statewide criminal records database for over fifty Hamilton County law enforcement agencies and sub-agencies from June 1, 2021, through June 30, 2021, pursuant to the attached then and now certificate from the Director of Finance.

WHEREAS, Hamilton County law enforcement agencies and sub-agencies, including the Cincinnati Police Department, access Ohio's Law Enforcement Automated Data System ("LEADS") criminal records database through a longstanding contract with the Ohio State Highway Patrol, which maintains and coordinates access to the database; and

WHEREAS, the City pays for these services on behalf of the consortium of law enforcement agencies known as County Law Enforcement Applied Regionally (CLEAR); and

WHEREAS, the Ohio State Highway Patrol provided services for all of 2021, including from June 1, 2021, through June 30, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the City received an invoice for the services provided in June 2021, when many staff members were working remotely during the COVID-19 pandemic, and the invoice was inadvertently not paid due to the instability of transitioning to remote work; and

WHEREAS, the Ohio State Highway Patrol recently conducted an audit and reissued the invoice; and

WHEREAS, due to the unique circumstances that caused this error, its repetition is not, foreseen; and

WHEREAS, although funds were encumbered to pay this invoice in 2021, they have since been unencumbered due to the passage of time; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to R.C. Section 5705.41(D)(1), the Director of Finance has issued a certificate, attached to this ordinance, verifying that a sufficient sum was appropriated and in the City Treasury for the purpose of paying the charges under the contract both at the time the attached certificate was issued; and

WHEREAS, Council desires to pay \$17,350 to the Ohio State Highway Patrol for the outstanding charges related to LEADS access from June 1, 2021, through June 30, 2021; now, therefore,

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

Section 1. That the Director of Finance is authorized to pay \$17,350 from County Law Enforcement Applied Regionally (CLEAR) Fund non-personnel operating budget account no. 457x093x7100x7417 to the Ohio State Highway Patrol for outstanding charges related to access to the Law Enforcement Automated Data System (LEADS) criminal records database for over fifty Hamilton County law enforcement agencies and sub-agencies from June 1, 2021, through June 30, 2021.

Section 2. That the proper City officials are authorized to do all things necessary and proper to carry out the provisions of Section 1.

Section 3. 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 immediate need to make payment to the Ohio State Highway Patrol in a timely manner for services rendered.

Passed: Suptember 4, 2025

Clerk

Attest:

WAS PUBLISHED IN THE CITY BULLETIN / 10/2025
IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CHARTER ON 9/14/2025

Aftab Pureval, Mayor

CLERK OF COUNCIES