

June 5, 2024

To: Mayor and Members of City Council

From: Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager *WW* 202401533

Subject: Ordinance – Police: FY 2024 Urban Area Security Initiatives (UASI) Grant Program

Attached is an Ordinance captioned:

AUTHORIZING the City Manager to apply for a grant from the United States Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency, FY 2024 Homeland Security Grant Program, Urban Area Security Initiative (ALN 97.067) that will assist the City in preventing, preparing for, protecting against, and responding to acts of terrorism; and **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to accept the transfer of equipment and supplies valued at up to \$447,500 from the Hamilton County Emergency Management and Homeland Security Agency, which acts as the regional fiscal agent for the UASI Grant.

This Ordinance authorizes the City Manager to apply for a grant from the United States Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), FY 2024 Homeland Security Grant Program, Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) (ALN 97.067) (the “UASI Grant”) that will assist the City in preventing, preparing for, protecting against, and responding to acts of terrorism. This Ordinance also authorizes the City Manager to accept the transfer of equipment and supplies valued at up to \$447,500 from the Hamilton County Emergency Management (HCEMA) and Homeland Security Agency, which acts as the regional fiscal agent for the UASI Grant.

The equipment and supplies received by the Cincinnati Police Department (CPD) will be used to support Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT) tactical equipment, Maritime Unit equipment and supplies, Information Technology Management Section (ITMS) equipment, and Greater Cincinnati Fusion Center (GCFC) equipment and supplies, to enhance and support the protection of soft targets and crowded places, respond to threats of civil disorder, and allow for intelligence and information analysis and sharing.

There are no new FTEs/full time equivalents associated with this grant, and no matching funds are required.

The grant application deadline was May 24, 2024, and the City already has applied for the grant, but no supplies or equipment will be accepted without approval by the City Council.

Acceptance of the supplies and equipment funded by the UASI Grant is in accordance with the “Live” goal to “[c]reate a more livable community” as described on pages 156-163 of Plan Cincinnati (2012).

The Administration recommends passage of this Ordinance.

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

Attachment

