

February 23, 2023

To: Mayor and Members of City Council

From: Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager *SMM* 202300661

Subject: Ordinance – Police: FY 2023 Ohio Department of Development (ODOD)
TechCred Credential Reimbursement Program

Attached is an Ordinance captioned:

AUTHORIZING the City Manager to apply for and accept funds in an amount up to \$2,000 from the Ohio Department of Development’s TechCred Credential Reimbursement Program for eligible costs incurred by the Cincinnati Police Department in providing its employees with technology-focused credentials; and **AUTHORIZING** the Director of Finance to deposit the reimbursed funds into General Fund revenue account no. 050x8533.

This Ordinance authorizes the City Manager to apply for and accept funds in an amount of up to \$2,000 from the Ohio Department of Development’s TechCred Credential Reimbursement Program for eligible costs incurred by the Cincinnati Police Department in providing its employees with technology-focused credentials. This Ordinance also authorizes the Finance Director to deposit the reimbursed funds into General Fund revenue account no. 050x8533.

The TechCred Credential Reimbursement Program has been designed to elevate Ohio’s workforce. Employees can earn industry-recognized credentials that take a year or less to complete, and employers are reimbursed for a portion of the cost.

The reimbursement program application deadline was January 31, 2023. As a result, an application for this program was submitted prior to an Ordinance receiving approval from the City Council. Should an Ordinance not receive approval, the reimbursement will not be accepted.

While the program does not require matching funds, agency contribution is preferred and favored. Therefore, the Cincinnati Police Department has agreed to match \$1,205, which will be provided from Federal Asset Forfeiture – Justice Fund 367.

There are no new FTEs associated with this reimbursement.

Acceptance of this reimbursement 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

