

AUTHORIZING the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant in the amount of up to \$160,000 from the State of Ohio, Office of Criminal Justice Services for the purpose of funding personnel costs and equipment for Title III investigations; and **AUTHORIZING** the Finance Director to deposit the grant funds into Law Enforcement Grant Fund 368, Project Account No. 21ODLE.

WHEREAS, there is a grant available in the amount of up to \$160,000 from the State of Ohio, Office of Criminal Justice Services for the purpose of funding personnel costs and equipment for Title III investigations; and

WHEREAS, electronic surveillance is cost-intensive, progressive, and requires a tremendous amount of manpower; and

WHEREAS, this grant will supplement Cincinnati Police Department (CPD) resources, helping to bridge the fiscal gap and allowing for additional abatement of drug trafficking organization operations, thereby reducing violence and drug overdoses; and

WHEREAS, CPD has already applied for the grant, but will not accept any funds without approval of Council; and

WHEREAS, local matching resources of approximately \$53,334 are required and will be provided from Narcotics Unit investigators' on-duty time; and

WHEREAS, there are no new FTEs associated with this grant; and

WHEREAS, this ordinance is in accordance with the "Live" goal to "Create a more livable community," as described on page 156 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 apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant in the amount of up to \$160,000 from the State of Ohio, Office of Criminal Justice Services for the purpose of funding personnel costs and equipment for Title III investigations.

Section 2. That the Director of Finance is hereby authorized to deposit the grant resources into Law Enforcement Grant Fund 368, Project Account No. 21ODLE.

Section 3. That the proper City officials are authorized to do all things necessary and proper to carry out the terms of the grant and of Sections 1 and 2 herein.

Section 4. That this ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Passed: _____, 2021

John Cranley, Mayor

Attest: _____
Clerk