

AUTHORIZING the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a Selective Traffic Enforcement Program (“STEP”) grant of up to \$70,000, effective FY 2026, from the State of Ohio Department of Public Safety, Ohio Traffic Safety Office (ALN 20.600), to aid in reducing deaths and injuries resulting from vehicular accidents; and **AUTHORIZING** the Director of Finance to deposit the STEP grant funds into Law Enforcement Grant Fund 368x8553, project account no. 25STEP.

WHEREAS, a Selective Traffic Enforcement Program (“STEP”) grant of up to \$70,000 is available in FY 2026 from the Ohio Department of Public Safety, Ohio Traffic Safety Office; and

WHEREAS, the STEP grant aims to reduce deaths and injuries resulting from vehicular accidents due to speeding, loss of control, restraint violations, and operating a vehicle under the influence through high visibility enforcement efforts; and

WHEREAS, this grant does not require matching funds, and there are no new FTEs/full time equivalents associated with this grant; and

WHEREAS, the STEP grant application deadline is May 15, 2025, and the City has already applied for the grant, but no grant funds will be accepted without Council approval; and

WHEREAS, aiding in reducing deaths and injuries resulting from vehicular accidents is in accordance with the “Live” goal to “[c]reate a more livable community” as described on pages 156-162 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 authorized to apply for, accept, and appropriate a Selective Traffic Enforcement Program (“STEP”) grant of up to \$70,000, effective FY 2026, from the State of Ohio Department of Public Safety, Ohio Traffic Safety Office (ALN 20.600), to aid in reducing deaths and injuries resulting from vehicular accidents.

Section 2. That the Director of Finance is authorized to deposit the STEP grant funds into Law Enforcement Grant Fund 368x8553, project account no. 25STEP.

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 Sections 1 and 2.

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

Passed: _____, 2025

Aftab Pureval, Mayor

Attest: _____
Clerk