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AUTHORIZING the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a Fiscal Year 2022 State Homeland Security Program – Law Enforcement Grant (“FY22 SHSP-LE Grant”) (ALN 97.067) from the Ohio Emergency Management Agency in an amount of up to \$250,000 to enhance and sustain the Greater Cincinnati Fusion Center; and **AUTHORIZING** the Finance Director to deposit FY22 SHSP-LE Grant funds into Law Enforcement Grant Fund 368, Project Account 22SHSP.

WHEREAS, the Greater Cincinnati Fusion Center (“GCFC”) serves to combat potential domestic extremism, violence, and terrorist activity and also serves as a focal point for the receipt, analysis, gathering, and sharing of threat-related information between local, tribal, territorial, state, and federal partners, and private sector stakeholders; and

WHEREAS, administration of the GCFC transferred to the Cincinnati Police Department (“CPD”) from the Hamilton County Sheriff’s Office (“HCSO”) on January 1, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the HCSO previously applied for and received four State Homeland Security Program – Law Enforcement grants from Fiscal Years 2018, 2019, 2020, and 2021, all of which were transferred to CPD along with the administration of the GCFC; and

WHEREAS, the application deadline for the SHSP-LE grant from Fiscal Year 2022 (“FY22 SHSP-LE Grant”) was September 30, 2022, and as a result, CPD has already submitted an application for the FY22 SHSP-LE Grant; and

WHEREAS, CPD will not accept any FY22 SHSP-LE Grant funds without approval from Council; and

WHEREAS, if the City is awarded and accepts a FY22 SHSP-LE Grant, the funds will be used to cover salary and fringe benefit costs for a Supervisory Intelligence Analyst (“SIA”) and a contracted cybersecurity analyst at the GCFC, as well as costs related to software, training, network firewalls, Automated License Plate Reader cameras and licenses, and other cybersecurity projects within the GCFC; and

WHEREAS, although the FY22 SHSP-LE Grant does not require matching funds or additional FTEs, approximately \$3,500 of the SIA’s salary and benefits surpass the FY22 SHSP-LE Grant allowance and will be paid through the CPD General Fund operating budget; and

WHEREAS, acceptance of the FY22 SHSP-LE 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); 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 Fiscal Year 2022 State Homeland Security Program – Law Enforcement Grant (“FY22 SHSP-LE Grant”) (ALN 97.067) from the Ohio Emergency Management Agency in an amount of up to \$250,000 for enhancing and sustaining the Greater Cincinnati Fusion Center.

Section 2. That the Finance Director is hereby authorized to deposit FY22 SHSP-LE Grant funds into Law Enforcement Grant Fund 368, Project Account 22SHSP.

Section 3. That the proper City officials are hereby authorized to do all things necessary and proper to comply with the terms of the grant and Sections 1 and 2 hereof.

Section 4. 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 need to meet the Ohio Emergency Management Agency’s sixty-day grant acceptance deadline, if the grant is awarded to the City.

Passed: _____, 2022

Aftab Pureval, Mayor

Attest: _____
Clerk