

September 2, 2020

To: Mayor and Members of City Council

From: Paula Boggs Muething, Interim City Manager

Subject: **Emergency Ordinance – FY 2020 Coronavirus Emergency Supplemental Funding Grant**

Attached is an Emergency Ordinance captioned:

AUTHORIZING the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant in an amount up to \$250,000 from the Ohio Department of Public Safety, Office of Criminal Justice Services, FY 2020 Coronavirus Emergency Supplemental Funding Grant (CFDA #16.034) for the purpose of reimbursing the Cincinnati Police Department for overtime expenses related to Coronavirus preparation, prevention and response; and **AUTHORIZING** the Finance Director to deposit the grant funds into Law Enforcement Grant Fund 368, Project Account No. 20CERF.

This Emergency Ordinance would authorize the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant in an amount up to \$250,000 from the Ohio Department of Public Safety, Office of Criminal Justice Services, FY 2020 Coronavirus Emergency Supplemental Funding Grant for the purpose of reimbursing Cincinnati Police Department (CPD) overtime related to Coronavirus preparation, prevention and response. This funding opportunity is in addition to the Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) FY 2020 Coronavirus Emergency Supplemental Funding Grant that the CPD was recently awarded. There is no set deadline for application. Length of funding is 6 to 12 months and may be backdated to March 1, 2020. There is no FTE or local match requirement.

This Emergency Ordinance would also authorize the Finance Director to deposit the grant funds into Law Enforcement Grant Fund 368, Project Account No. 20CERF.

The Cincinnati Police Department has applied for this grant prior to this Emergency Ordinance receiving approval from the City Council. Should this Emergency Ordinance not be approved, the grant funding will not be accepted.

This Emergency Ordinance is in accordance with the “Sustain” goal as described on page 187 of Plan Cincinnati (2012).

The reason for the emergency is the immediate need for the timely acceptance of grant funds to reimburse CPD for overtime expenses related to the prevention and control of COVID-19 cases.

The Administration recommends passage of this Emergency Ordinance.

cc: Christopher A. Bigham, Assistant City Manager
Karen Alder, Finance Director

Attachment

