

February 1, 2023

To: Mayor and Members of City Council

From: Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager *sm*

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Subject: Ordinance – Police: FY 2022 Ohio Drug Law Enforcement Grant

Attached is an Ordinance captioned:

AUTHORIZING the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant in the amount of up to \$108,780.69 in FY 2022 Ohio Drug Law Enforcement funds from the Ohio Department of Public Safety, Office of Criminal Justice Services for the purpose of funding personnel costs and equipment for investigations conducted pursuant to Title III of the federal Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968; and **AUTHORIZING** the Finance Director to deposit the grant funds into the Law Enforcement Grant Fund 368, Project Account No. 23ODLE.

This Ordinance authorizes the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant in the amount of up to \$108,780.69 in FY 2022 Ohio Drug Law Enforcement funds from the Ohio Department of Public Safety (ODPS), Office of Criminal Justice Services (OCJS) for the purpose of funding personnel costs and equipment for investigations conducted pursuant to Title III of the federal Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968. This Ordinance also authorizes the Finance Director to deposit the grant funds into Law Enforcement Grant Fund 368, Project Account No. 23ODLE.

Electronic surveillance is cost-intensive, progressive, and requires tremendous amounts of manpower. These grant resources will supplement Cincinnati Police Department (CPD) resources to aid in the disruption and dismantling of drug trafficking organizations operating in Cincinnati, thereby abating the operations of drug trafficking organizations, reducing illicit drug distribution, decreasing overdoses and overdose fatalities, and reducing drug-related violence and crime.

CPD applied for the grant prior to receiving City Council approval to meet the grant application deadline. Should this Ordinance not be approved, the grant award will not be accepted.

The grant does require local matching resources of \$36,263.95. This match will be provided from CPD Narcotics Unit investigators' on-duty time. There are no new FTEs associated with this grant.

Acceptance of this 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).

The Administration recommends passage of this Ordinance.

cc: Andrew Dudas, Budget Director
Karen Alder, Finance Director

Attachment

