

January 12, 2022

To:

Mayor and Members of City Council

From:

Paula Boggs Muething, City Manager

Subject:

Ordinance - Police: Selective Traffic Enforcement Program

(STEP) Grant Program

Attached is an Ordinance captioned:

AUTHORIZING the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a Selective Traffic Enforcement Program Grant of up to \$60,000 from the State of Ohio Department of Public Safety, Office of Criminal Justice Services for the purpose of funding a program to reduce deaths and injuries resulting from vehicular accidents due to speeding, loss of control, restraint violations, operating a vehicle under the influence, and commercial and motorcycle safety infractions.

This Ordinance would authorize the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant for up to the amount of up to \$60,000.00 from the State of Ohio Department of Public Safety, Office of Criminal Justice Services for the purpose of funding the Selective Traffic Enforcement Program (STEP). This program's aim is to reduce deaths and injuries resulting from vehicular accidents due to Operating Vehicle Under Influence (OVI), speed, loss of control, restraint violations, and commercial and motorcycle safety infractions.

This Ordinance would also authorize the Finance Director to deposit the grant funds into Fund 368, Project Code: 21STEP. The grant application deadline was May 25, 2021. As a result, the Cincinnati Police Department has already applied for this grant prior to this Ordinance receiving approval from the City Council. Should this Ordinance not be approved, the grant funding will not be accepted. The grant does not require matching funds, nor does it add any additional FTEs.

This Ordinance is in accordance with the Live goal to "Create a more livable community" as described on page 156 of Plan Cincinnati (2012).

The Administration recommends passage of this Ordinance.

cc:

Andrew M. Dudas, Budget Director Karen Alder, Finance Director

