

May 24, 2023

To: Mayor and Members of City Council 202301487
From: Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager
Subject: **Ordinance – Police: FY 2024 Traffic Safety Resource Prosecutor (TSRP) Grant**

Attached is an Ordinance captioned:

AUTHORIZING the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant in an amount up to \$185,000 from the State of Ohio Department of Public Safety, Ohio Traffic Safety Office, to fund a Traffic Safety Resource Prosecutor to provide training, education, and technical support to traffic crimes prosecutors and law enforcement agencies throughout the State of Ohio, and to develop a coordinated statewide, multidisciplinary planned approach to the prosecution of impaired driving and other traffic crimes in Ohio; and **AUTHORIZING** the Director of Finance to deposit the grant funds into Law Enforcement Grant Fund 368, project account no. 24TSRP.

This Ordinance authorizes the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant in an amount up to \$185,000 from the State of Ohio Department of Public Safety (ODPS), Ohio Traffic Safety Office (OTSO), to fund a Traffic Safety Resource Prosecutor (TSRP) to provide training, education, and technical support to traffic crimes prosecutors and law enforcement agencies throughout the State of Ohio, and to develop a coordinated statewide, multidisciplinary planned approach to the prosecution of impaired driving and other traffic crimes in Ohio. This Ordinance also authorizes the Director of Finance to deposit the grant funds into Law Enforcement Grant Fund 368, project account no. 24TSRP.

The grant is available through the State of Ohio Department of Public Safety, Ohio Traffic Safety Office, to provide funding for a TSRP position with ODPS for Fiscal Year 2024, which will provide training and support to the City and the region, and develop a coordinated statewide, multidisciplinary planned approach to the prosecution of impaired driving and other traffic crimes in Ohio. The TSRP serves as a training and educational resource for public agencies in the region but is not a lawyer for the City and cannot provide legal advice to City departments. Per the condition of the grant, the TSRP would be assigned by the ODPS as a sub-contractor with a term from October 1, 2023 to September 30, 2024.

The grant application deadline is May 30, 2023, and the Cincinnati Police Department intends to apply by this date, but no grant funds will be accepted without approval from the City Council.

There are no new FTEs associated with this grant, and no matching funds are required.

Acceptance of this grant is in accordance with the “Live” goal to “[c]reate a more livable community” as described on pages 156 of Plan Cincinnati (2012).

The Administration recommends passage of this Ordinance.

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



Attachment