

September 2, 2020

**To:** Mayor and Members of City Council

**From:** Paula Boggs Muething, Interim City Manager

SML per psm 202001374

**Subject: Emergency Ordinance – Police: Gary Sinise Foundation  
First Responders Grant**

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Attached is an Emergency Ordinance captioned:

**AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant in the amount of up to \$50,000 from the Gary Sinise Foundation First Responders Grant Program for the purchase of CordicoShield, a customized law enforcement wellness app, aimed at strengthening workforce resilience, well-being, and retention for high-stress professions.

This Emergency Ordinance would authorize the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant in an amount up to \$50,000 from the Gary Sinise Foundation First Responders Grant Program for the purchase of CordicoShield, a customized law enforcement wellness app aimed at strengthening workforce resilience, well-being and retention for high-stress professions.

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

As the grant application deadline was June 10, 2020, 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 to "Become a Healthier Cincinnati" as described on page 181 of Plan Cincinnati (2012).

The reason for the emergency is to enable acceptance of grant funds in a timely fashion.

The Administration recommends passage of this Emergency Ordinance.

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

Attachment

