

# Ordinance No. 1387-2023

By Council Members Polensek and Griffin  
(by departmental request)

## AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE

Authorizing the Director of Public Safety to apply for and accept a grant from the Ohio Office of Criminal Justice Services for the FY 2022 Ohio Drug Law Enforcement Fund grant for the operation of the Cartel Gang Narcotics and Laundering Task Force, formerly known as the Northern Ohio Law Enforcement Task Force; authorizing the Director to enter into agreements with the Cuyahoga County Sheriff's Office and other entities; and authorizing the purchase by one or more contracts of one undercover police vehicle to implement the grant.

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WHEREAS, this ordinance constitutes an emergency measure providing for the usual daily operation of a municipal department; now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CLEVELAND:

Section 1. That the Director of Public Safety is authorized to apply for and accept a grant in the approximate amount of \$137,013.70, and any other funds that may become available during the grant term from the Ohio Office of Criminal Justice Services to conduct the FY 2022 Ohio Drug Law Enforcement Fund grant for the operation of the Cartel Gang Narcotics and Laundering Task Force, formerly known as the Northern Ohio Law Enforcement Task Force (NOLETF); that the Director is authorized to file all papers and execute all documents necessary to receive the funds under the grant; and that the funds are appropriated for the purposes described in the title page and summary for the grant contained in the file described below.

Section 2. That the title page and summary for the grant, presented to the Finance Committee of this Council at a public hearing on this legislation and set forth in **File No. 1387-2023-A**, is made a part of this ordinance as if fully rewritten, including the obligation of the City of Cleveland to provide cash matching funds in the sum of \$45,671.23 from Fund No. 01-6002-6397, are approved in all respects, and shall not be changed without additional legislative authority. (RQS 6002, RL 2023-119)

Section 3. That the Director of Public Safety is authorized to extend the term of the grant during the grant term.

Section 4. That the Director of Public Safety is authorized to enter into any agreements with the Cuyahoga County Sheriff's Office, City of Lakewood Police, Village of Moreland Hills Police, City of Bedford Police, Cuyahoga Metropolitan Housing

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Authority Police Department, and the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority Police Department, to implement the grant as described in the file.

Section 5. That the Director of Public Safety is authorized to make one or more written contracts under the Charter and the Codified Ordinances of Cleveland, Ohio, 1976, for each or all of the following items: one (1) undercover police vehicle to be purchased by the Commissioner of Purchases and Supplies on a unit basis, for the Division of Police, Department of Public Safety.

Section 6. That under Section 108(b) of the Charter, the purchases authorized by this ordinance may be made through cooperative arrangements with other governmental agencies. The Director of Public Safety may sign all documents that are necessary to make the purchases, and may enter into one or more contracts with the vendors selected through that cooperative process.

Section 7. That the cost of the contract or contracts authorized shall be paid from the fund or funds to which are credited the grant proceeds accepted under this ordinance, the cash match, and other funds approved by the Director of Finance

Section 8. That this ordinance is declared to be an emergency measure and, provided it receives the affirmative vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to Council, it shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor; otherwise it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

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12-4-2023  
FOR: Director Howard

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**READ FIRST TIME on DECEMBER 4, 2023**

**REPORTS**

**and referred to DIRECTORS of Public Safety, Finance, Law;  
COMMITTEES on Safety, Finance Diversity Equity and Inclusion**

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