

Ordinance No. 612-2025

By Council Members Polensek and Griffin
(by departmental request)

AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE

Authorizing the Director of Public Safety to enter into an agreement with the Cuyahoga County Solid Waste District to accept funding in support of the City’s Environmental Crimes Task Force to secure training and equipment necessary to assist in combatting illegal dumping.

WHEREAS, there is an acknowledged problem of illegal dumping of scrap tires, solid waste, and construction debris within the City of Cleveland; and

WHEREAS, the City has established the Environmental Crimes Task Force comprised of the Departments of Public Safety, Public Health, Building and Housing, and Law working collaboratively to combat illegal dumping in the City; and

WHEREAS, the City’s Department of Public Safety has established an environmental crimes unit that will investigate illegal dumping crimes and seek prosecution for those crimes; and

WHEREAS, the Cuyahoga County Solid Waste District (the “District”) has authorized funding in an amount not to exceed \$12,000 over a two-year period to the City of Cleveland Department of Public Safety to support the environmental crimes investigations and enforcement activities; and

WHEREAS, the City wishes to accept the funding from the District; and

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 enter into an agreement with the District to accept funding in support of the City’s Environmental Crimes Task Force, in an amount not to exceed \$12,000 over a two-year period and any other funds that become available during the agreement term, for purposes, including but not limited to, the purchase of training and equipment necessary to assist in combatting illegal dumping for FY 2025-2026, and those funds are appropriated for this purpose. (RQS 6002, RLA 2025-24)

Section 2. That, unless expressly prohibited by the agreement, under Section 108(b) of the Charter, purchases made under the agreement may be made through cooperative arrangements with other governmental agencies. The Director of Public

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Safety may sign all documents and do all things that are necessary to make the purchases, and may enter into one or more contracts with the vendors selected through that cooperative process. The contracts shall be paid from the fund or funds to which are credited any funds accepted under this ordinance.

Section 3. 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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5-12-2025
FOR: Director Drummond

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READ FIRST TIME on MAY 12, 2025
and referred to DIRECTORS of Public Safety, Finance, Law;
COMMITTEES on Safety, Finance Diversity Equity and Inclusion

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PRESIDENT

CITY CLERK

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MAYOR

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