TO: Michael D. Polensek, Chair
            Safety Committee

FROM: Dornat A. Drummond, Director
            Department of Public Safety

DATE: October 30, 2024

SUBJECT: Ordinance No. 1116-2024 authorizing the Director of Public Safety to apply for and accept a grant from the Ohio Office of Criminal Justice Services for the FY 24 State Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant to provide funding for the operation of the Cartel Gang Narcotics Laundering Task Force; and authorizing agreements with various entities to implement the grant.

Ordinance No. 1116-2024, if passed by Council, would authorize the Director of Public Safety to apply for and accept a $150,000 grant from the Ohio Office of Criminal Justice Services for the FY24 State Byrne Memorial Grant. This legislation will provide funding for the operation of the Cartel Gang Narcotics Laundering Task Force (CGNL).

Purpose of Grant:

The goal of the Ohio Office of Criminal Justice Services Justice Assistance Grant is to provide funding to law enforcement agencies for operating multi-agency task forces. The City of Cleveland will be reimbursed for costs associated with operating the Division of Police's Cartel Gang Narcotics Laundering Task Force (CGNL), formerly known as the Northern Ohio Law Enforcement Task Force (NOLETF). The CGNL is a multi-agency drug task force that brings together state, federal and local agents and investigators to ensure the most sophisticated investigation and prosecution resources are directed against organized drug trafficking groups.

Expenses to be reimbursed:

Personnel:	$ 30,000 (Police officer overtime)
Contracts:	$ 30,000 (Police officer overtime for partner agencies)
Equipment:	$ 37,000 (undercover police vehicle)
Supplies:	$ 500 (Office supplies)
Other Costs:	$ 5,000 (Vehicle maintenance, Cell Data Plan)
Confidential Funds:	$ 47,500 (Buy money, surveillance costs)
TOTAL:	$150,000

Grant Information:

- We have received this grant annually since 2005
- There is no local match