



City of Cleveland Memorandum
Frank G. Jackson, Mayor

TO: Kevin J. Kelley, Chair
Committee of the Whole

FROM: Michael McGrath, Director
Department of Public Safety

DATE: December 4, 2017

SUBJECT: Ordinance No. 1375-17 to Amend Ord. No. 708-17 Authorizing the Director of Public Safety to Apply for and Accept the FY16 Ohio Drug Law Enforcement Fund Grant for the Northern Ohio Law Enforcement Task Force from the Ohio Office of Criminal Justice Services

Ordinance No. 1375-17 would authorize the Director of Public Safety to apply for and accept additional funds of \$177,612.83 from the Ohio Office of Criminal Justice Services for the 2016 Ohio Drug Law Enforcement Fund Grant. This grant requires an additional match of \$59,204.28. If approved by Council, the legislation will provide funding for the operation of the Northern Ohio Law Enforcement Task Force (NOLETF).

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 Northern Ohio Law Enforcement Task Force (NOLETF). The NOLETF 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.

The agencies that partner in NOLETF include: Federal Bureau of Investigation, Department of Homeland Security, Internal Revenue Service, the United States Attorney's Office (Northern District of Ohio), Cleveland Division of Police, Cuyahoga County Sheriff, Cuyahoga County Prosecutor, Cuyahoga Metropolitan Housing Authority Police, Euclid Police, Shaker Heights Police, Cleveland Heights Police, Westlake Police, Lakewood Police, Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority Police, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation, and Drug Enforcement Administration.

Grant Term and Amount:

The total grant award amount would be amended to \$427,608.58 and includes a local match amount of \$142,536.21, and is for the Grant Period from July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018. The funding source for the matching funds is Fund 10, Subfund 026.