

## City of Cleveland Memorandum

Frank G. Jackson, Mayor

TO: Kevin J. Kelley, Chair

Finance Committee

FROM: Michael McGrath, Director

Department of Public Safety

SUBJECT: Ordinance No. 1222-2019 authorizing the Director of Public Safety to enter

into a task force cooperative agreement with the United States Department of Justice, Drug Enforcement Administration, to participate in and conduct tactical drug enforcement operations concerning the use and abuse of controlled substances under the provisions of the U.S. Code, for a period not

to exceed two years

DATE: October 14, 2019

Ord. No. 1222 -2019, if passed by Council, would authorize the Director of Public Safety to enter into a task force cooperative agreement with the United States Department of Justice, Drug Enforcement Administration, to participate in and conduct tactical drug enforcement operations concerning the use and abuse of controlled substances under the provisions of the U.S. Code, for a period not to exceed two years.

The trafficking in controlled substance pharmaceuticals and other drugs is a growing problem in the greater Cleveland and Akron regions including Cuyahoga and Summit County and this illegal activity has a significant and detrimental effect on the health and general welfare of the people of these Counties. This task force cooperative will enable the parties to the agreement to jointly investigate, disrupt, dismantle and assist in the prosecution of individuals and/ or organizations involved in these illegal activities.