

- TO: Kevin J. Kelley, Chair Finance Committee
- FROM: Karrie D. Howard, Director Department of Public Safety
- DATE: May 17, 2021
- SUBJECT: Ordinance No. 277-2021 To amend Section 2 of Ordinance No. 1266-18, passed October 29, 2018, as amended by Ordinance No. 1243-19, passed October 28, 2019, relating to a grant from the Ohio Office of Criminal Justice Services for the FY 17 Ohio Drug Law Enforcement for the operation of the Northern Ohio Law Enforcement Task Force

Ordinance No. 277-2021, if passed by Council, will amend Section 2 of Ordinance No. 1266-189, as amended by Ordinance No. 1243-19, relating to a grant from the Ohio Office of Criminal Justice Services for the FY 17 Ohio Drug Law Enforcement for the operation of the Northern Ohio Law Enforcement Task Force to correct the funding source of the matching funds associated with these grants.

The funding source in Ordinance Nos. 1266-18 and 1243-18 indicated the funding source for the matching funds requirement was Fund 10 SF 026; however, Fund 10 SF 025 is the correct source of the matching funds.

Purpose of the 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, Westlake Police, Lakewood Police, Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority Police, and Moreland Hills Police Department.

The original grant award authorized by Ord. No. 1266-18 was \$249,999.75 and required a local match of \$83,333.25. The additional grant award amount authorized by Ord. No. 1243-19 was \$100,777.79 and required a local match amount of \$33,592.60.