

- TO: Blaine A. Griffin, Chair Safety Committee
- **FROM:** Karrie D. Howard, Director Department of Public Safety
- **DATE:** May 26, 2021
- **SUBJECT:** Ordinance No. 331-2021 To amend Section 2 of Ordinance No 708-17, passed July 12, 2017, as amended, relating to a grant from the Ohio Office of Criminal Justice Services for the 2016 Ohio Drug Law Enforcement Fund grant program

Ordinance No. 331-2021, if passed by Council, will amend Section 2 of Ordinance No. 708-17, passed July 12, 2017, as amended, relating to a grant from the Ohio Office of Criminal Justice Services for the 2016 Ohio Drug Law Enforcement Fund grant program to correct the funding source of the matching funds associated with this grant.

The funding source in Ordinance No. 708-17 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, 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.

The grant award amount was \$427,608.58 and included a local match amount of \$142,536.21. The funding source reference is being amended from Fund 10 SF 026 to Fund 10 SF 025 to correct the clerical error in the original Ordinance.