

CITY OF STRONGSVILLE, OHIO

ORDINANCE NO. 2021 – 051

By: Mayor Perciak and All Members of Council

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO APPLY FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE UNDER THE DRUG ABUSE RESISTANCE EDUCATION (“DARE”) LAW ENFORCEMENT GRANTS PROGRAM; AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF FUNDS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, in 1993, the Ohio General Assembly and the Governor established the DARE Grants Program within the Office of the Ohio Attorney General now codified in Ohio Revised Code Section 4511.191F(4); and

WHEREAS, the primary purpose of the DARE Grants Program is to provide funds to local law enforcement agencies, specifically for the salaries of certified DARE officers teaching or planning to teach the approved DARE curriculum in the local schools; and

WHEREAS, the Grants Program provides matching funds to defray the costs of an officer’s salary, excluding fringe benefits, up to 50% for a certified DARE officer and also provides a percentage of the cost for School Resource Officers; and

WHEREAS, the City again wishes to apply for such funding in order to assist it with the salaries of one (1) certified DARE officer and two (2) certified School Resource Officers, for the 2021-2022 school year; and

WHEREAS, when the City is advised that its application for funding under the DARE Grant Program is approved, the City is desirous of accepting such award.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF STRONGSVILLE, COUNTY OF CUYAHOGA, AND STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. That the Mayor and other appropriate officers of the City be and are hereby authorized and directed to execute and file an application with the Office of the Attorney General of Ohio, under the 2021-2022 DARE Grants Program for funding for the salary of one (1) certified DARE officer and two (2) certified School Resource Officers, to provide the required assurances therein, and to provide all information and documentation required in said application, all as set forth in the application on file with the Chief of Police.

Section 2. That this Council hereby approves the acceptance of any award of funding under such DARE Grant Program for the 2021-2022 school year, and hereby authorizes the Mayor, Director of Finance, Chief of Police, and/or other appropriate officers of the City to do all things necessary in furtherance thereof.

Section 3. That the monies received and the funds required to meet the City’s obligation under said application, if any, have been appropriated and are to be paid respectively into and from the General Fund.

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Section 4. That it is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of this Council; and that all deliberations of this Council, and any of its committees, that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements.

Section 5. That this Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, safety and welfare of the City, and for the further reason that the prompt execution of such application is required in order to request funding for the 2021-2022 school year, to continue to educate students concerning drug abuse, and conserve public funds. Therefore, provided this Ordinance receives the affirmative vote of two-thirds of all members elected to Council, it shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor; otherwise from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Matt Chono

 President of Council

Approved: Thomas B. Serier

 Mayor

Date Passed: 4/5/2021

Date Approved: April 5, 2021

	<u>Yea</u>	<u>Nay</u>
Carbone	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	_____
DeMio	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	_____
Kaminski	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	_____
Kosek	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	_____
Roff	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	_____
Schonhut	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	_____
Short	<u>Absent</u>	_____

Attest: Aimee Pientka

 Clerk of Council

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