

Wilmington, Delaware
September 15, 2022

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 2-363 of the City Code, the Council deemed it
Sponsor: necessary and proper to specify the requirements for review and approval of City-sponsored
Council grant applications and proposals, including authorization for expedited grant applications when
Member necessary prior to Council’s approval by resolution; and
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WHEREAS, the City, through the Wilmington Police Department, has submitted a
grant application to the State of Delaware Special Law Enforcement Assistance Fund in the
amount of \$205,492.00; and

WHEREAS, proposed grant funding in the amount of \$155,000 would allow for the
replacement of tactical vests for members of the Crisis Management Tactical Team. This
protective equipment ensures the safety of officers responding to calls involving armed,
barricaded subjects, as well as hostage situations and active shooter situations. This grant
would support the replacement of existing ballistic vest equipment that has reached the end of
its lifecycle and is no longer effective; and

WHEREAS, proposed grant funding in the amount of \$35,992 would allow for the
purchase of two forensic workstations and one forensic laptop, which would support
investigations; and

WHEREAS, proposed grant funding in the amount of \$10,000 would support the
purchase of a portable training facility to support ongoing training for police officers. This
trailer includes a mock structure that can be used to facilitate a variety of trainings; and

WHEREAS, proposed grant funding in the amount of \$4,500 would allow for the purchase of 12 inflatable devices that can be deployed from land during a water rescue incident; and

WHEREAS, this grant funding would cover expenses that would otherwise have to be absorbed by the Police Department's annual budget, continuing the Police Department's efforts to identify funding opportunities to offset increases to the City budget; and

WHEREAS, no matching funds are required; and

WHEREAS, the Council deems it necessary and proper to authorize the grant application, for the aforesaid purpose.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILMINGTON that the Wilmington Police Department's grant application to the State of Delaware in the total amount of \$205,492.00 is hereby authorized.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chief of Police, or designee, shall be authorized to take all necessary actions to accept any and all funds associated with the grant application and to fulfill the grant requirements.

Passed by City Council,

ATTEST: _____
City Clerk

SYNOPSIS: This Resolution authorizes the Wilmington Police Department's grant application to the State of Delaware Special Law Enforcement Assistance Program in the amount of \$205,492. The proposed grant funds would be used to replace tactical vests for members of the Crisis Management Tactical Team, forensic workstations and a laptop, a

portable training facility, and inflatable devices for water rescues. No local matching funds are required.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT: There is no negative fiscal impact to the City because no local matching funds are required by this grant.

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