



Legislation Text

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BACKGROUND: It is necessary to appropriate \$692,086.26 from the unappropriated balance of the Special Revenue Fund, entitled the Police Continuing Professional Training Fund. This appropriation will be used by the Division of Police for officers to attend training seminars, instructor development, and training supplies.

In 2007, Ohio Senate Bill 281 was signed into law, thereby enacting a mandatory continuing professional training program for Ohio peace officers. These training requirements can be found in the Ohio Revised Code 109.802. Ordinance No. 0087-2008, passed on February 4, 2008, authorized the Public Safety Director to participate in the state-funded continuing professional training reimbursement program. The Division of Police complied with this mandate and has received consistent reimbursements from 2008 through 2018. Additional funds were received in 2022 for mandated training held in 2021. State law mandates that these funds be kept in a separate account and be used only to pay the costs of Continuing Professional Training programs.

CONTRACT COMPLIANCE: N/A

EMERGENCY DESIGNATION: Emergency legislation is requested so that the appropriation may be in place to fund immediate training needs for Police officers. The Division of Police has already encumbered or spent \$100,000 of Seizure Funds on travel/training this year; therefore, there are insufficient funds available to fund travel/training for the month of April, 2023. Also, some of these requests are mandatory training.

FISCAL IMPACT: This ordinance authorizes an appropriation of \$692,086.26 in a Special Revenue Fund for continuing education for the Division of Police.

To authorize an appropriation of \$692,086.26 from the unappropriated balance of the Special Revenue Fund for continuing professional training for the Division of Police; and to declare an emergency. (\$692,086.26)

WHEREAS, an appropriation is needed to cover costs associated with the Police Continuing Professional Training Fund; and,

WHEREAS, sufficient funds are available in the Special Revenue Fund; and,

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Division of Police, Department of Public Safety, in that it is immediately necessary to appropriate the aforementioned funds for continuing professional education because there are insufficient funds to fund April 2023 training including some mandatory training, thereby preserving the public health, peace, property, safety, and welfare; **now, therefore:**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS:

SECTION 1. That from the unappropriated monies and from all monies estimated to come into said fund from any and all sources and unappropriated for any other purpose during the fiscal year ending December 31, 2023, the sum of \$692,086.26 is appropriated in Fund 2299 Special Revenue Fund in Object Class 03 Contractual Services and Object Class 02 Supplies per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

SECTION 2. That the monies appropriated in the foregoing Section 1 shall be paid upon order of the Public Safety Director and that no order shall be drawn or money paid except by voucher, the form of which shall be approved by the City Auditor.

SECTION 3. That all funds necessary to carry out the purpose of this fund in 2023 are hereby deemed appropriated in an amount not to exceed the available cash balance in the fund.

SECTION 4. That for the reasons stated in the preamble hereto, which is hereby made a part hereof, this ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure and shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval by the Mayor, or ten days after passage if the Mayor neither approves nor vetoes the same.