

CITY OF STRONGSVILLE, OHIO

ORDINANCE NO. 2024 – 126

By: Mayor Perciak and All Members of Council

AN ORDINANCE RATIFYING AND APPROVING THE FILING OF AN APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FROM THE OHIO ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE IN CONNECTION WITH THEIR LAW ENFORCEMENT DIVERSION PROGRAM FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025 RELATING TO THE OPIOID EPIDEMIC; AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF FUNDS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, by and through Ordinance No. 2017-159, this Council approved and authorized the filing of an application for financial assistance from the Ohio Attorney General's Office in connection with their Law Enforcement Diversion Program relating to the opioid epidemic, so that the City could proceed to form and implement a Quick Response/Drug Abuse Response Team to directly assist individuals affected by the opioid crisis, and provide such individuals and families with outreach from the City of Strongsville Police and Fire Emergency Services; and

WHEREAS, by and through subsequent Ordinance Nos. 2017-178, 2019-144, 2020-071, 2021-127, 2022-081 and 2023-119, this Council approved the filing of additional applications and acceptance of awards of funding from the Ohio Attorney General's Office and further authorized the Mayor to enter into Agreements in connection therewith; and

WHEREAS, the Ohio Attorney General's Office has once again extended the opportunity for law enforcement agencies to apply for funds through the Law Enforcement Diversion Program for the fiscal year 2025; and

WHEREAS, in order to meet the deadline for submission of applications to receive funding under the Ohio Attorney General's Office Law Enforcement Diversion Program for the fiscal year 2025, the City, through its Police Department, has applied for further funding to continue the Drug Abuse Response Team program; and

WHEREAS, the City has been notified that its application for the reimbursement of certain funds expended under the Ohio Attorney General's Office Law Enforcement Diversion Program has been approved in the amount of \$65,000.00; and

WHEREAS, therefore, the City is now 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 this Council hereby ratifies and approves the submission of an application for financial assistance to the Ohio Attorney General's Office Law Enforcement Diversion Program for fiscal year 2025, in the form on file with the Chief of Police.

Section 2. That this Council hereby approves the acceptance of the award of funding in the amount of \$65,000.00 under such Law Enforcement Diversion Program, and hereby authorizes the Mayor, Director of Finance, Chief of Police, and/or other appropriate officers of

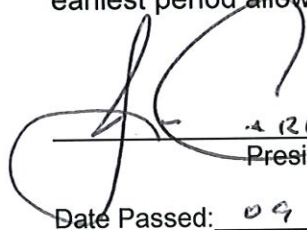
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the City to provide, execute and deliver agreements, certifications, assurances and such other information as may be required in connection therewith.

Section 3. That any funds required to meet the City’s obligation under said application have been appropriated and paid from the General Fund, and the grant funds awarded to the City shall be deposited to such fund.

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 it is immediately necessary to ratify and approve the submission of the application for financial assistance in order to meet the filing deadline, to accept such award, and to 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.



 President of Council
 Date Passed: 09 03 2024

Approved: Thomas B. Brewer

 Mayor

Date Approved: Sept. 3, 2024

Attest: Aimee Pientka

 Clerk of Council

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

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