

Wilmington, Delaware  
December 5, 2024

**#0516**

**Sponsor:**

**Council  
Member  
McCoy**

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Section 2-363 of the City Code, City Council deemed it necessary and proper to specify the requirements for review and approval of City-sponsored grant applications and proposals, including authorization for expedited grant applications when necessary prior to Council's approval by resolution; and

**WHEREAS**, the Wilmington Police Department has submitted a grant application as part of the FY2025 Congressionally Directed Spending program, with the support and endorsement of the office of Senator Christopher Coons; and

**WHEREAS**, the Police Department has applied for \$400,000 in funding, which would be used to replace the Department's Emergency Response and Rescue Vehicle, which is (i) used during responses to highly dangerous incidents like those involving armed subjects, barricade situations, and active shooters and (ii) facilitates the safe rescue of members of the public and first responders from life-threatening situations; and

**WHEREAS**, the current vehicle used by the Department is approximately twenty (20) years old and is regularly in need of repairs; and

**WHEREAS**, no local matching funds are required; and

**WHEREAS**, in applying for this funding, the Police Department seeks to continue its efforts to secure funding from other entities to help offset the fiscal impact of crime prevention activities on the City's annual operating budget; and

**WHEREAS**, City 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 FY2025 Congressionally Directed Spending program in the amount of \$400,000 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 FY2025 Congressionally Directed Spending program in the amount of \$400,000. The proposed grant funding would be used to replace the Department’s current Emergency Response and Rescue Vehicle, which is approximately twenty (20) years old and is regularly in need of repairs. 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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