

MUNICIPAL ORDER 19-2021

A MUNICIPAL ORDER AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN APPLICATION FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT PROTECTION PROGRAM GRANT FUNDING THROUGH THE KENTUCKY OFFICE OF HOMELAND SECURITY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$12,845.70, THE PROCEEDS OF WHICH WILL BE UTILIZED BY THE CITY OF OWENSBORO POLICE DEPARTMENT TO PURCHASE TEN (10) TASERS, TEN (10) TASER BATTERY PACKS, AND TEN (10) TASER CARTRIDGES; NO MATCH REQUIRED FROM THE CITY.

WHEREAS, KRS 16.220 establishes a Law Enforcement Protection Program fund within the Kentucky Office of Homeland Security to provide grants for body armor, firearms, ammunition, electronic-control devices, electronic-control weapons, electro-muscular disruption technology, and body worn cameras to city police departments; and

WHEREAS, the Owensboro Police Department (OPD) currently employs one hundred three (103) full-time and six (6) part-time officers. The OPD currently uses a model of the X26 taser that is no longer manufactured or serviced, with many being used well over twelve (12) years; and

WHEREAS, the OPD seeks to purchase ten (10) X26P Tasers, ten (10) X26P Auto Shut Down Battery Packs, and ten (10) cartridges for X26P Tasers through the Law Enforcement Protection Program grant awarded by the Kentucky Office of Homeland Security.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED BY THE CITY OF OWENSBORO, KENTUCKY, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. That the Mayor be, and he hereby is, authorized and directed to execute a grant application to be filed with the Kentucky Office of Homeland Security for the Law Enforcement Protection Program for grant funds in the amount of \$12,845.70 to purchase ten (10) X26P Tasers, ten (10) X26P Auto Shut Down Battery Packs, and ten (10) cartridges for X26P Tasers, for which no match is required from the City.

Section 2. That the Mayor, City Manager and appropriate staff members are hereby authorized to sign any and all other documents deemed necessary to the furtherance of the authority outlined herein.

INTRODUCED, PUBLICLY READ AND FINALLY APPROVED ON ONE READING, this the 4th day of May, 2021.

Thomas H. Watson, Mayor

ATTEST:

Beth Davis, City Clerk