

MUNICIPAL ORDER 35-2023

A MUNICIPAL ORDER AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN APPLICATION FOR THE SERVICES TRAINING OFFICERS PROSECUTORS (STOP) VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN ACT FORMULA GRANT PROGRAM THROUGH THE KENTUCKY JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY CABINET IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,992.50, THE PROCEEDS OF WHICH WILL BE UTILIZED BY THE CITY OF OWENSBORO POLICE DEPARTMENT TO PURCHASE TWO (2) DATA PILOT ACQUISITION DEVICES; A TWENTY-FIVE PERCENT (25%) IS MATCH REQUIRED FROM THE CITY.

WHEREAS, according to the National Coalition Against Domestic Violence, Kentucky has the second-highest rate of domestic violence, with 45.3% of women and 35.5% of men having experienced domestic violence; and

WHEREAS, the Owensboro Police Department (OPD) cited 198 individuals in calendar year 2022 for domestic violence crimes; and

WHEREAS, in order to thoroughly investigate these crimes and provide victim assistance, the Investigations Division at the OPD examines electronic devices such as cell phones, tablets and other storage devices; and

WHEREAS, the Data Pilot acquisition device increases digital forensic capabilities by allowing data to be uploaded on scene and permits the electronic device to be returned to the victim; and

WHEREAS, the OPD requests grant funds in the amount of \$2,992.50 through the Services Training Officers Prosecutors (STOP) Violence Against Women Act Formula Grant Program to purchase two (2) Data Pilot acquisition devices. A twenty-five percent (25%) match of \$997.50 is required and budgeted.

**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 Services Training Officers Prosecutors (STOP) Violence Against Women Act Formula Grant Program through the Kentucky Justice and Public Safety Cabinet for grant funds in the amount of \$2,992.50 to purchase two (2) Data Pilot acquisition devices, for which a twenty-five percent (25%) match of \$997.50 is required and budgeted.

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 5th day of September, 2023.

Thomas H. Watson, Mayor

ATTEST:

Beth Davis, City Clerk