

MUNICIPAL ORDER 2-2026

A MUNICIPAL ORDER AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN APPLICATION FOR A KENTUCKY TRANSPORTATION CABINET OFFICE OF HIGHWAY SAFETY GRANT THROUGH THE NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$50,000.00, THE PROCEEDS OF WHICH WILL ENABLE THE OWENSBORO POLICE DEPARTMENT TO PROVIDE OVERTIME TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT DURING SPECIFIC MOBILIZATIONS WITHIN THE CITY OF OWENSBORO TO ENHANCE PUBLIC SAFETY; NO CASH MATCH BEING REQUIRED BY THE CITY.

WHEREAS, the Owensboro Police Department (OPD) has reviewed data from KyOps which indicates that there continue to be problems in the areas of alcohol and drug-related crashes, speeding, seat belt and child restraints within the jurisdiction of Owensboro, Daviess County; and

WHEREAS, grant funding is provided to reduce the fatalities on Kentucky roadways, minimize injuries to individuals and property, and to educate the public on ways to do so. OPD hosts "Click It or Ticket", "Speed Weeks" and the "Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over" mobilizations in an effort to reduce offenses in the identified problem areas; and

WHEREAS, the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet Office of Highway Safety has established a grant fund to provide for the cost of funding overtime hours and fuel for local law enforcement agencies and such grant funds do not require a cash match by the City.

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 Kentucky Transportation Cabinet Office of Highway Safety Grant application through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration for an amount of \$50,000.00, the proceeds of which will be used to fund fuel and overtime hours of officers of the Owensboro Police Department to enforce traffic laws during specific mobilizations.

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 3rd day of February, 2026.

Thomas H. Watson, Mayor

ATTEST:

Beth Davis, City Clerk