



**TO: LINDA GORTON, MAYOR
URBAN COUNTY COUNCIL**

**FROM: THERESA REYNOLDS, DIRECTOR
DIVISION OF GRANTS AND SPECIAL PROGRAMS**

DATE: January 20, 2023

**SUBJECT: Accept Grant Funds from the Kentucky Office of Homeland Security
FY2022 State Homeland Security Grant Program for the Division of Police**

Request: Council authorization for the Mayor to execute an agreement and accept award of federal funding from the Kentucky Office of Homeland Security under the FY2022 State Homeland Security Grant Program in the amount of \$164,422 for the Division of Police purchase of a Utility Terrain Vehicle (UTV) and an explosive/chemical analyzer. No matching funds are required.

Purpose of Request: On May 5, 2022 (Resolution 232-2022), Council authorized an application to the Kentucky Office of Homeland Security requesting federal funds from the Fiscal Year 2022 Homeland Security Grant Program. This federally funded program, originating from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, provides financial assistance to the states to prevent, respond to, and recover from acts of terrorism. The states have the responsibility for apportioning funding to local governments.

The Division of Police has been awarded \$164,422 grant funding for the purchase of a Utility Terrain Vehicle (UTV) and an explosive/chemical analyzer for the Lexington Police Department FBI Certified Bomb Squad. This equipment will be deployed by the Lexington Bomb Squad to fill the core capability gaps for screening, detection, identification and remediation of explosive threats.

What is the cost in this budget year and future budget years? \$164,422 in federal funds has been awarded for Fiscal Year 2023. No matching funds are required. Future years funding is dependent upon availability of grant funding.

Are the funds budgeted? Budget amendment is in process.

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Director/Commissioner: Weathers/Armstrong

