

ORDINANCE NO. 2862

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SALISBURY TO APPROVE A BUDGET AMENDMENT OF THE GRANT FUND BUDGET TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS RECEIVED FROM WICOMICO COUNTY.

WHEREAS, Wicomico County has made authorized disbursements to the City of Salisbury Police Department (“SPD”) in the amount \$214,189.35; and

WHEREAS, the funding source of this authorized disbursement was the result of the dissolution of the multi-jurisdictional Wicomico County Narcotics Task Force, of which the SPD was a part thereof; and

WHEREAS, all member agencies of the dissolved Wicomico County Narcotics Task Force received an equitable share of assets (“**Equitable Sharing Funds**”) associated with its dissolution; and

WHEREAS, the Equitable Sharing Funds are to be deposited and to be used in accordance with the guidelines set forth by the Department of Justice and US Treasury; and

WHEREAS, the SPD desires to use the Equitable Sharing Funds to purchase and customize, or “upfit”, four (4) SPD vehicles with proper police equipment; and

WHEREAS, the SPD will apply any remaining funds towards future vehicle purchases and/or vehicle maintenance.

WHEREAS, the enhanced vehicles will be used in Criminal Investigations, Patrol Operations and SPD recruitment efforts; and

WHEREAS, the enhancement of SPD vehicles also improves response time, communications by and between officers, and the overall efficiency of the SPD; and

WHEREAS, § 7-29 of the Salisbury City Charter prohibits the City from entering into an agreement that requires an expenditure not appropriated or authorized by the Council of the City of Salisbury; and

WHEREAS, appropriations necessary to execute the purpose of this funding must be made upon the recommendation of the Mayor and the approval of four-fifths of the Council of the City of Salisbury.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED AND ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SALISBURY, MARYLAND, as follows:

Section 1. The City of Salisbury’s Grant Fund Budget be and hereby is amended as follows:

- (a)** Increase Grant Fund DOJ Revenue, Acct. No. 10500-423101-xxxxx, by \$214,189.35 ; and
- (b)** Increase Grant Fund Expense, Vehicles Acct. No. 10500-577025-xxxxx, by \$214.189.35.

BE IT FURTHER ENACTED AND ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SALISBURY, MARYLAND, as follows:

Section 2. It is the intention of the Mayor and Council of the City of Salisbury that each provision of this Ordinance shall be deemed independent of all other provisions herein.

Section 3. It is further the intention of the Mayor and Council of the City of Salisbury that if any section, paragraph, subsection, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be adjudged invalid, unconstitutional or otherwise unenforceable under applicable Maryland or federal law, such adjudication shall apply only to the section, paragraph, subsection, clause or provision so adjudged and all other provisions of this Ordinance shall remain and shall be deemed valid and enforceable.

Section 4. The recitals set forth hereinabove are incorporated into this section of the Ordinance as if such recitals were specifically set forth at length in this Section 4.

Section 5. This Ordinance shall take effect from and after the date of its final passage.

THIS ORDINANCE was introduced and read at a Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the City of Salisbury held on the 15th day of April, 2024 and thereafter, a statement of the substance of the Ordinance having been published as required by law, in the meantime, was finally passed by the Council of the City of Salisbury on the 22nd day of April, 2024.

ATTEST:




Kimberly R. Nichols, City Clerk



D'Shawn Doughty, City Council President

Approved by me, this 7th day of May, 2024.



Randolph J. Taylor, Mayor



City of
Salisbury
Salisbury Police Department

April 3, 2024

TO: Andy Kitzrow
FROM: Chief David Meienschein
SUBJECT: Ordinance – Equitable Sharing Ordinance

The Equitable Sharing Funds is an authorized disbursement that was a result of the dissolution of the multi-jurisdictional Wicomico County Narcotics Task Force, of which the SPD was a part thereof. All member agencies of the dissolved Wicomico County Narcotics Task Force received an equal share of assets (“Equitable Sharing Funds”) associated with its dissolution. The Salisbury Police Departments portion in cash was \$214,189.35.

Funds were deposited in the city general fund in accordance with the guidelines set forth by the Department of Justice and US Treasury. The SPD desires to use the Equitable Sharing Funds to purchase and customize, or “upfit”, four (4) SPD vehicles with proper police equipment and apply any remaining funds towards future vehicle purchases and/or vehicle maintenance. Vehicles will be utilized for patrol operations for which there is a great need.

Unless you or the Mayor has further questions, please forward this Ordinance to the City Council.

David Meienschein
Chief of Police

