

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER, OR HER DESIGNEE, TO APPLY FOR 2017 COMMUNITY ORIENTED POLICING SERVICES (COPS) OFFICER HIRING PROGRAM FUNDING FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Justice provides funding to advance public safety through community policing by addressing the full-time sworn police officer needs of state, local and tribal law enforcement agencies nationwide; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Justice could provide funding in the form of a COPS Officer Hiring Program Grant for hiring two new full-time entry-level sworn career law enforcement officers, including seventy-five percent (75%) of their salaries and fringe benefits, for thirty-six (36) months and up to a maximum of \$125,000 per officer; and

WHEREAS, if the grant is awarded, the City would be required to retain the COPS funded positions, in addition to the officers funded in the current budget, for a retention period of at least twelve (12) months following the conclusion of the three-year award period; and

WHEREAS, this Council desires to support the City's grant application by being prepared to commit to match twenty-five percent (25%) of salaries and fringe benefits for thirty-six (36) months and to retain the COPS funded positions for at least twelve (12) months following the conclusion of the three-year award period.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Hudson, County of Summit, State of Ohio, that:

Section 1: The City Manager, or her designee, is authorized to apply to the U.S. Department of Justice for a COPS Officer Hiring Program Grant for the reasons set forth in the recitals to this Resolution.

Section 2: This Resolution is declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of the public health, safety, and general welfare of the City and its residents and for the reason that it is necessary to apply for this grant without delay to timely meet the deadline for submission of the application and to enhance the possibility of receiving the same; wherefore, this Resolution shall be in effect immediately upon its passage provided it receives the affirmative vote of five members of Council, except that six affirmative votes shall be required if all members are present; otherwise, it shall be in full force and effect from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

PASSED:

David A. Basil, Mayor

ATTEST:

Elizabeth Slagle, Clerk of Council

I certify that the foregoing Resolution No. 17-96 was duly passed by the Council of said Municipality on _____, 2017.

Elizabeth Slagle, Clerk of Council