



NEW CASTLE COUNTY COUNCIL PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING

Co-Chair: J. William Bell, Twelfth District

Co-Chair: Karen Hartley-Nagle, President

November 9, 2021

4:00 PM

VIRTUAL ZOOM WEBINAR MEETING* &
LOUIS L. REDDING CITY/COUNTY BUILDING
1ST FLOOR COUNCIL CHAMBERS
800 N. FRENCH STREET, WILMINGTON, DE 19801**

AGENDA

A. Meeting Call to Order

B. Approval of Minutes

C. Review/Discussion of Resolution(s)

D. Review/Discussion of Ordinance(s)

°21-125: AMEND THE GRANTS BUDGET: APPROPRIATE \$511,255.44 FROM THE STATE OF DELAWARE DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY AND HOMELAND SECURITY TO THE FY2022 FUND TO COMBAT VIOLENT CRIME GRANT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, DIVISION OF POLICE Introduced by: Mr. Bell, Ms. Hartley-Nagle

°21-126: AMEND THE FY2022 APPROVED OPERATING BUDGET: APPROPRIATE \$19,870 IN FUNDING RECEIVED FROM THE RECORDER OF DEEDS TECHNOLOGY FEE ACCOUNT TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, DIVISION OF POLICE EQUIPMENT BUDGET LINE ITEM Introduced by: Mr. Bell, Ms. Hartley-Nagle

E. Presentation by Chief Bloch regarding Violence in the County


F. Other

G. Public Comment

H. Adjournment

AGENDA POSTED: November 2, 2021

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Introduced by: Mr. Bell, Ms. Hartley-Nagle
Date of introduction: October 26, 2021

ORDINANCE NO. 21-125

**AMEND THE GRANTS BUDGET:
APPROPRIATE \$511,255.44 FROM THE STATE OF DELAWARE DEPARTMENT OF
SAFETY AND HOMELAND SECURITY TO THE FY2022 FUND TO COMBAT
VIOLENT CRIME GRANT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY,
DIVISION OF POLICE**

WHEREAS, funding has been awarded from the State of Delaware, Department of Safety and Homeland Security to the FY2022 Fund to Combat Violent Crime Grant; and

WHEREAS, the funding will be used by the New Castle County Department of Public Safety, Division of Police for overtime patrols in high crime areas, specialized training, purchase of essential police equipment and confidential special investigations; and

WHEREAS, the County Executive has determined that grants received will be sufficient to cover the increase in the Grants Budget as hereinafter amended; and

WHEREAS, Council has determined that the provisions of this Ordinance substantially advance, and are reasonably and rationally related to, legitimate government interests (i.e., promoting the health, safety, morals, convenience, order prosperity and/or welfare of the present and future inhabitants of this State).

NOW, THEREFORE, THE COUNTY OF NEW CASTLE HEREBY ORDAINS:

Section 1. The Grants Budget as adopted by Ordinance No. 75-173 is hereby amended by adding the material on the attached Exhibit "A," which is considered to be underscored in its entirety, attached hereto and made a part thereof.

Section 2. This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its adoption by County Council and approval by the County Executive, or as otherwise provided in 9 *Del. C.* § 1156.

Section 3. It is the intent of the County Council that the provisions of this Ordinance shall be effective retroactive to September 7, 2021.

Adopted by County Council of
New Castle County on:

President of County Council
of New Castle County

Approved on:

County Executive
New Castle County

SYNOPSIS: This Ordinance, if approved, will appropriate \$511,255.44 from the State of Delaware Department of Safety and Homeland Security to the FY2022 Fund to Combat Violent Crime Grant. The funding will be used by the New Castle County Department of Public Safety, Division of Police for overtime patrols in high crime areas, specialized training, purchase of essential police equipment and confidential special investigations.

It is the intent of the County Council that the provisions of this Ordinance shall be effective retroactive to September 7, 2021.

FISCAL NOTE: The fiscal impact of this Ordinance, if approved, will be an increase in the authorized spending authority of the Grants Budget of \$511,255.44. This increase will impact FY2022 and FY2023 since the targeted program completion date is September 30, 2022. In addition, New Castle County is providing a cash match within the Department of Public Safety, Division of Police of \$127,150.64 to cover the full costs of employee benefits.

There will be no fiscal impact beyond FY2023 as a result of this grant award.

EXHIBIT "A"**DEPARTMENT:** Public Safety**PROGRAM TITLE:** FY2022 Fund to Combat Violent Crime**Ordinance No.** 21-125

State: \$511,255.44

Object Level	Federal		County		State		Total	
	<i>Initial</i>	<i>Revised</i>	<i>Initial</i>	<i>Revised</i>	<i>Initial</i>	<i>Revised</i>	<i>Initial</i>	<i>Revised</i>
11-Salaries and Wages					215,174.04		215,174.04	
15-Employee Benefits								
22-Training/Civic Affairs					128,500.00		128,500.00	
23-Communication/Utilities								
24-Materials/Supplies								
25-Contractual Services								
26-Equipment Replacement					152,581.40		152,581.40	
27-Fixed Charges								
28-Land and Structures								
29-Contingencies					15,000.00		15,000.00	
Total:					511,255.44		511,255.44	

Supplemental Information**Estimated Program Initiation:** 9/7/2021**Estimated Program Completion:** 9/30/2022**The Local Match:** \$127,150.64**Found in:** Police Patrol (10200305)**Code #****Ordinance Passed:****Date Revised:****PROGRAM DESCRIPTION:**

The Fund to Combat Violent Crimes Grant is funded by the State of Delaware and is distributed by the Department of Safety and Homeland Security for use by local law enforcement agencies in connection with initiatives to combat violent felonies pursuant to Section 4201(c) of Title 11 of the *Delaware State Code*.

10/26/2021

Introduced by: Mr. Bell, Ms. Hartley-Nagle
Date of introduction: October 26, 2021

ORDINANCE NO. 21-126

**AMEND THE FY2022 APPROVED OPERATING BUDGET: APPROPRIATE \$19,870 IN
FUNDING RECEIVED FROM THE RECORDER OF DEEDS TECHNOLOGY FEE ACCOUNT
TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, DIVISION OF POLICE
EQUIPMENT BUDGET LINE ITEM**

WHEREAS, this legislation will amend the FY2022 Approved Operating Budget by appropriating \$19,870 in funding received from the Recorder of Deeds Technology Fee Account to the Department of Public Safety, Division of Police Equipment Budget Line Item; and

WHEREAS, the State of Delaware provided New Castle County Police with pole cameras for various neighborhoods with problem areas; and

WHEREAS, these additional cameras require additional video storage capacity; and

WHEREAS, these funds will assist in the purchase of a 16 Bay Tower Evidence Recorder to record digital images from police cameras located in various neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, the revenue measures heretofore adopted by the County Council are, in the opinion of the County Executive, estimated to yield sums at least sufficient to balance the proposed expenditures as set forth in the Annual Operating Budget as hereinafter amended.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE COUNTY OF NEW CASTLE HEREBY ORDAINS:

Section 1. The Annual Operating Budget Ordinance for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021 is hereby amended by deleting the material stricken and adding the material underscored on the attached Exhibit "A."

Section 2. The foregoing amendment shall be considered a part of the Annual Operating Budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021 and shall be effective retroactively as though incorporated initially in the Annual Operating Budget Ordinance.

Section 3. The provisions in this Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its adoption by County Council and approval by the County Executive, or as otherwise provided in 9 *Del. C.* § 1156.

Adopted by County Council of
New Castle County on:

President of County Council
of New Castle County

Approved on:

County Executive
New Castle County

SYNOPSIS: Amend the FY2022 Approved Operating Budget by appropriating \$19,870 in funding received from the Recorder of Deeds Technology Fee Account to the Department of Public Safety, Division of Police Equipment Budget Line Item to assist in the purchase of a 16 Bay Tower Evidence Recorder to record digital images from police cameras located in various neighborhoods.

FISCAL NOTE: This Ordinance, if approved, will amend the FY2022 Approved Operating Budget by appropriating \$19,870 in funding received from the Recorder of Deeds Technology Fee Account to the Department of Public Safety, Division of Police Equipment Budget Line Item.

The revised FY2022 Approved Operating Budget will be \$314,127,530. There is no discernible fiscal impact as this is a one-time equipment purchase in FY2022 with no service agreement. There is no discernible fiscal impact to FY2023 and FY2024.

The balance in the Recorder of Deeds Technology Fee Account as of October 13, 2021 is \$406,023.68. The revised balance in the Recorder of Deeds Technology Fee Account after this appropriation of funding will be \$386,153.68.

COUNTY COUNCIL

Salaries and Wages	\$	2,351,044
Benefits		1,389,280
Training and Civic Affairs		83,888
Communication and Utilities		21,207
Materials and Supplies		64,954
Contractual Services		229,087
Equipment		2,345
Grants and Fixed Charges		309,864
Operating Transfer Charges		131,393
Total	\$	4,583,062
Total Authorized Full-Time Positions	35	

COUNTY EXECUTIVE

Salaries and Wages	\$	1,555,025
Benefits		918,897
Training and Civic Affairs		31,904
Communication and Utilities		14,414
Materials and Supplies		22,236
Contractual Services		138,990
Equipment		1,000
Grants and Fixed Charges		168,001
Contingency		55,000
Operating Transfer Charges		67,467
Total	\$	2,972,934
Total Authorized Full-Time Positions	14	

DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION

Salaries and Wages	\$	11,613,854
Benefits		6,781,761
Training and Civic Affairs		121,525
Communication and Utilities		6,727,863
Materials and Supplies		154,747
Contractual Services		6,127,002
Equipment		356,169
Grants and Fixed Charges		3,674,000
Operating Transfer Charges		980,302
Operating Transfer Credits		(11,426,715)
Total	\$	25,110,508
Total Authorized Full-Time Positions	150	

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Salaries and Wages	\$	23,159,974
Benefits		13,601,440
Training and Civic Affairs		43,445
Communication and Utilities		24,749,552
Materials and Supplies		4,285,348
Contractual Services		11,402,948
Equipment		832,908
Grants and Fixed Charges		1,193,757
Land and Structures		35,000
Operating Transfer Charges		4,310,205
Operating Transfer Credits		(7,210,239)
Total	\$	76,404,338
Total Authorized Full-Time Positions		379

DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE

Salaries and Wages	\$	8,317,530
Benefits		4,889,845
Training and Civic Affairs		67,636
Communication and Utilities		115,035
Materials and Supplies		126,752
Contractual Services		1,415,373
Equipment		60,350
Grants and Fixed Charges		31,500
Operating Transfer Charges		1,042,168
Operating Transfer Credits		(584,268)
Total	\$	15,481,921
Total Authorized Full-Time Positions		117

DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY SERVICES

Salaries and Wages	\$	10,607,738
Benefits		5,029,231
Training and Civic Affairs		18,560
Communication and Utilities		943,467
Materials and Supplies		1,371,528
Contractual Services		2,261,849
Equipment		17,900
Grants and Fixed Charges		2,950,635
Operating Transfer Charges		1,203,272
Operating Transfer Credits		(182,000)
Total	\$	24,222,180
Total Authorized Full-Time Positions		161

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

Salaries and Wages		\$	61,490,217
Benefits			35,912,892
Training and Civic Affairs			148,179
Communication and Utilities			968,158
Materials and Supplies			1,181,961
Contractual Services			2,084,892
Equipment	1,004,407		<u>1,024,277</u>
Grants and Fixed Charges			6,199,561
Operating Transfer Charges			7,178,245
Total	116,168,512	\$	<u>116,188,382</u>
Total Authorized Full-Time Positions	700		

REGISTER IN CHANCERY

Salaries and Wages		\$	113,172
Benefits			66,876
Total		\$	<u>180,048</u>
Total Authorized Full-Time Positions	2		

REGISTER OF WILLS

Salaries and Wages		\$	1,092,229
Benefits			636,917
Training and Civic Affairs			35,150
Communication and Utilities			13,166
Materials and Supplies			8,544
Contractual Services			12,120
Equipment			5,100
Operating Transfer Charges			73,597
Total		\$	<u>1,876,823</u>
Total Authorized Full-Time Positions	19		

RECORDER OF DEEDS

Salaries and Wages	\$	1,266,779
Benefits		736,756
Training and Civic Affairs		43,170
Communication and Utilities		30,060
Materials and Supplies		12,898
Contractual Services		81,446
Equipment		43,257
Grants and Fixed Charges		15,000
Operating Transfer Charges		143,692
Total	\$	2,373,058
Total Authorized Full-Time Positions	24	

SHERIFF

Salaries and Wages	\$	1,245,732
Benefits		732,450
Training and Civic Affairs		29,452
Communication and Utilities		18,269
Materials and Supplies		20,684
Contractual Services		56,398
Equipment		5,000
Operating Transfer Charges		154,422
Total	\$	2,262,407
Total Authorized Full-Time Positions	21	

CLERK OF THE PEACE

Salaries and Wages	\$	455,861
Benefits		269,378
Training and Civic Affairs		14,130
Communication and Utilities		3,460
Materials and Supplies		5,424
Contractual Services		23,593
Operating Transfer Charges		29,928
Total	\$	801,774
Total Authorized Full-Time Positions	7	

DEBT SERVICE

Debt Service	\$	47,558,687
Total	\$	47,558,687
Total Authorized Full-Time Positions		

ETHICS COMMISSION

Salaries and Wages	\$	38,000
Benefits		4,503
Training and Civic Affairs		8,800
Communication and Utilities		2,665
Materials and Supplies		2,450
Contractual Services		281,116
Equipment		500
Operating Transfer Charges		6,332
Total	\$	344,366
Total Authorized Full-Time Positions	0	

COUNCIL CONTINGENCY

Contingency	\$	250,000
Total	\$	250,000
Total Authorized Full-Time Positions		

EXECUTIVE CONTINGENCY

Contingency	\$	225,000
Total	\$	225,000
Total Authorized Full-Time Positions		

PERSONNEL CONTINGENCY

Contingency	\$	455,000
Total	\$	455,000
Total Authorized Full-Time Positions		

ATTRITION CONTINGENCY

Personal Services - Salaries and Wages	\$	(4,776,189)
Personal Services - Employee Benefits	\$	(2,822,365)
Total	\$	(7,598,554)
Total Authorized Full-Time Positions		

ONE-TIME CONTINGENCY

Contingency	\$	435,596
Total	\$	435,596

NEW CASTLE COUNTY

Salaries and Wages		\$	118,530,966
Benefits			68,147,861
Training and Civic Affairs			645,839
Communication and Utilities			33,607,316
Materials and Supplies			7,257,526
Contractual Services			24,114,814
Equipment	2,328,936		2,348,806
Grants and Fixed Charges			14,542,318
Debt Service			47,558,687
Land and Structures			35,000
Contingency			1,420,596
Operating Transfer Charges			15,321,023
Operating Transfer Credits			(19,403,222)
Sub-Total New Castle County	314,107,660	\$	<u>314,127,530</u>
Total Authorized Full-Time Positions	1,629		

RESERVE ACCOUNTS AS OF OCTOBER 1, 2021

Tax Stabilization Reserve Account (Unaudited)	78,707,674
Sewer Rate Stabilization Reserve Account (Unaudited)	17,018,686
General Fund Budget Reserve Account	42,951,901
Sewer Fund Budget Reserve Account	18,319,788
Total Reserves:	156,998,049