

O-2025-17

AN ORDINANCE

AUTHORIZING A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION TO THE 2025 ANNUAL BUDGET IN THE AMOUNT OF \$180,000 FROM THE FEDERAL SEIZURE FUNDS FOR VEHICLE PURCHASES AND EQUIPMENT

WHEREAS, Article XII, Section 8 of the City Charter allows the City Council to make supplemental appropriations by ordinance during the fiscal year for unanticipated expenditures required for the operation of the City using monies not anticipated in the adopted budget that have become available to the City; and;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Chapter 3.04 of the Lakewood Municipal Code, any unbudgeted City expenditure in excess of \$75,000 requires City Council approval;

WHEREAS, the Lakewood Police Department participates in the Colorado Auto Theft Prevention Authority (“CATPA”) Metropolitan Auto Theft Task Force (“C-MATT”), and the City of Lakewood (the “City”) is C-MATT’s fiscal agent;

WHEREAS, C-MATT provides undercover, unmarked vehicles which are used solely by C-MATT personnel in the performance of their investigative job duties;

WHEREAS, C-MATT requested and received federal seizure funds of \$180,000 from the federal seizure fund to purchase at least three (3) C-MATT vehicles;

WHEREAS, C-MATT is requesting approval of expenditure of the previously obtained funds for the purchase of three C-MATT undercover and unmarked vehicles; and:

WHEREAS, approval of this Ordinance on first reading does not constitute a representation that the City Council, or any member of the City Council, supports, approves, rejects or denies any particular proposal related to this proposal identified herein.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Lakewood, State of Colorado:

SECTION 1. The City Council hereby authorizes the expenditure of one hundred eighty thousand dollars (180,000) for fiscal year 2025 for the purpose of purchasing vehicles for the Colorado Metropolitan Auto Theft Task Force.

SECTION 2. The City Council hereby authorizes the Chief of Police to execute an agreement to accept a grant of funds from the Federal Seizure Fund in the amount of \$180,000 to be used for the purchase of vehicles and equipment by the Colorado Metropolitan Auto Theft Task Force.

SECTION 3. If any provision of this Ordinance should be found by a court of

competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the remaining portions or applications of this Ordinance that can be given effect without the invalid portion, provided such remaining portions or application of the Ordinance are not determined by the court to be inoperable.

SECTION 4. This Ordinance shall take effect thirty (30) days after final publication.

I hereby attest and certify that within and foregoing Ordinance was introduced and read on first reading at a hybrid regular meeting of the Lakewood City Council on the 28th day of April, 2025; published by title in the Denver Post and in full on the City of Lakewood's website, www.lakewood.org, on the 1st day of May, 2025; set for public hearing to be held on the 12th day of May, 2025; read, finally passed and adopted by the City Council on the 12th day of May, 2025; and signed by the Mayor on the 13th day of May, 2025.



Wendi Strom, Mayor

ATTEST:

Jay Robb, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Alison McKenney Brown, City Attorney