

ORDINANCE NO. 2022-29

A ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 2022-02, THE BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF SEARCY FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2022 FOR THE PURPOSE OF RECEIVING AND EXPENDING THE \$5,000 STIPEND FOR ELIGIBLE FULL-TIME LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS

WHEREAS, the Arkansas General Assembly passed Act 224 of 2022 during the 2022 Fiscal Session;

WHEREAS, through passage of Act 224 of 2022, the Arkansas General Assembly appropriated \$50,000,000 to provide a one-time salary stipend for eligible full-time law enforcement officers;

WHEREAS, “eligible full-time law enforcement officer” is specifically defined under Act 224 and the city/town does not have discretion to change the definition; and

WHEREAS, each eligible full-time law enforcement officer is entitled to a one-time salary stipend of \$5,000. Employee payroll deductions will be applied as required by law; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Searcy, Arkansas has determined that the City’s 2022 budget should be amended for the purpose of receiving the revenue for the one-time salary stipend funding from the State of Arkansas and expending the one-time salary stipend to eligible full-time law enforcement officers.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it ordained by the Searcy City Council, that:

Section 1. This budget for the City of Searcy, Arkansas, is amended in the following manner for the remaining budget period beginning January 1, 2022 and ending December 31, 2022;

- a. Appropriate \$269,125.00 to the General Fund ‘LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER STIPEND’ revenue account (#01 4-000-80-15);
- b. Appropriate \$235,000.00 to the General Fund ‘POLICE SALARIES’ expenditure account (#01 5-060-01-01) and appropriate \$17,977.50 to the General Fund ‘POLICE SS/MEDICARE MATCH’ expenditure account (#01 5-060-01-02);
- c. Appropriate \$10,000.00 to the General Fund ‘POLICE STOP GRANT SALARIES’ expenditure account (#01 5-062-01-01) and appropriate

\$765.00 to the General Fund ‘POLICE STOP GRANT PAYROLL TAX MATCH’ expenditure account (#01 5-062-01-02);

- d. Appropriate \$5,000.00 to the General Fund ‘POLICE COAP GRANT SALARIES’ expenditure account (#01 5-064-01-01) and appropriate \$382.50 to the General Fund ‘POLICE COAP GRANT SS/MEDICARE MATCH’ expenditure account (#01 5-064-01-02);

Emergency Clause. The need to maintain the fiscal affairs of the City of Searcy in accordance with the requirement of law being necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, safety and welfare, an emergency is hereby declared and this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 13th day of September, 2022.

/s/ Kyle Osborne

Mayor of Searcy

ATTEST:

/s/ Jerry Morris

City Clerk