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Fulton County Ordinance No. 2022-06

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An Appropriation Ordinance For Full-Time Law Enforcement Officer Salary Stipends In Accordance With Act 224 Of The 2022 Fiscal Session Of The Arkansas Legislature; And To Amend The Annual Operating Budget For Fulton County, Arkansas For Calendar Year 2022.

NOW THEREFORE, be it enacted by the Quorum Court of Fulton County.

Article 1: WHEREAS, Act 224 of the 2022 Fiscal Session of the Arkansas Legislature appropriated funds for Law Enforcement Stipend Grants for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023.

Article 2: WHEREAS, Act 224 authorizes the payment of a \$5,000.00 stipend to each eligible full-time law enforcement officer as defined in the Act; acknowledged by the county sheriff [law enforcement agency]; acknowledged by each eligible officer; and verified by the Division of Law Enforcement Standards and Training.

Article 3: WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Quorum Court of Fulton County, Arkansas, to appropriate the necessary funding to provide each full-time law enforcement officer, as defined in Act 224, a one-time stipend payment of \$5,000.00 less all appropriate employee deductions. Said stipend shall not be incorporated into the base pay of an employee for future salary adjustments. In the instance of a one-time stipend payment to an eligible elected County Sheriff the payment shall not be construed to be part of a the county officer's compensation as defined in Amendment 55, § 5 of the Arkansas Constitution or Arkansas Code Annotated § 14-14-1203(d).

NOW THEREFORE, be it ordained by the Quorum Court of Fulton County, Arkansas, that:

Ordinance No. 2021-13, the 2022 county budget ordinance is hereby amended, and the sum of \$61,485.00 is hereby appropriated from *Fund 1000 County General*, to the following department and line item(s) in the amounts and in the manner set forth below.

<u>Department</u>	<u>Line Item</u>	<u>Amount</u>
0400 Sheriff	Line 1005 Premium Compensation	\$50,000.00
0400 Sheriff	Line 1006 Social Security Matching	\$ 3,825.00
0400 Sheriff	Line 1007 Retirement	\$ 7,660.00
	Total	\$61,485.00


This amendment increases the amount appropriated for the Sheriff's Department budget by \$61,485.00 making the total 2022 County Sheriff's budget \$256,124.00; and thereby increases the County General Fund #1000 appropriation by \$61,485.00 making the total 2022 County General Fund appropriation \$1,696,917.43.

Article 4: It is the intent of the Fulton County Quorum Court that the appropriations contained herein are to be used only for stipend pay for full-time law enforcement officers and associated payroll expenses. This ordinance is only an amendment to the 2022 county operating budget established by Fulton County Ordinance No. 2021-13 and other amendments thereto. All other appropriations and policy statements of Ordinance No. 2021-13 shall remain in full force.

It is also the intent of this Court that the County Treasurer amend the County General revenue projection to include the grant funding received from the State of Arkansas for the aforementioned stipends and that this funding may be appropriated at the 100% level as allowed for state grants pursuant to § 14-20-103(b)(1).

Article 5: Under the general laws of the State of Arkansas, specifically § 14-14-907(d)(e)(f), appropriation ordinances are enacted without separate readings upon a two-thirds vote of the Quorum Court and shall be effective immediately upon passage and approval.

APPROVED:


_____, Fulton County Judge

ATTEST:

Vickie Bishop
_____, Fulton County Clerk

DATED: 7/25, 2022