

TOWN OF COTTAGE CITY
RESOLUTION 2026-08

**A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF COTTAGE CITY
AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A FY2027 GUN VIOLENCE REDUCTION
GRANT FROM THE MARYLAND GOVERNOR’S OFFICE OF CRIME PREVENTION
AND POLICY**

Introduced by: The Cottage City Commission

WHEREAS, The Town of Cottage City is committed to protecting the health, safety, and welfare of its residents through effective law enforcement and crime reduction initiatives; and

WHEREAS, the Maryland Governor’s Office of Crime Prevention and Policy administers the Gun Violence Reduction Grant Program to support law enforcement agencies implementing targeted enforcement strategies designed to reduce firearm related crime within Maryland communities; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Cottage City Police Department submitted an application for funding under the FY2027 Gun Violence Reduction Grant Program to support targeted enforcement and proactive policing initiatives addressing firearm related crime within the Town of Cottage City; and

WHEREAS, the proposed project titled Cottage City Gun Violence Reduction Programming will deploy sworn police officers during dedicated overtime patrol operations focused on firearm related enforcement, proactive patrols, and investigative follow up activities intended to reduce gun violence and enhance public safety within the Town; and

WHEREAS, the grant application requested funding in the approximate amount of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000) to support personnel costs associated with sworn officer overtime enforcement operations and related fringe expenses, although the final award amount may vary based on the funding determination made by the Governor’s Office of Crime Prevention and Policy; and

WHEREAS, acceptance of this grant will allow The Town of Cottage City Police Department to enhance targeted enforcement operations designed to reduce illegal firearm possession, support regional crime reduction efforts, and improve community safety.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by The Cottage City Commission of the Town of Cottage City that:

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Section 1: The Commission hereby authorize the acceptance of the FY2027 Gun Violence Reduction Grant from the Maryland Governor’s Office of Crime Prevention and Policy, in an amount not to exceed the amount awarded by the granting agency.

Section 2: The Town Manager is hereby authorized to execute any and all grant agreements, certifications, assurances, acceptance forms, and related documents necessary to accept and administer this grant on behalf of the Town of Cottage City if the grant is awarded.

Section 3: The Town Treasurer is authorized to establish the appropriate budget accounts and make any required budget amendments necessary to administer the grant upon award and notification to The Cottage City Commission.

Section 4: The Town administration and Police Department are authorized to implement the program activities and ensure compliance with all grant requirements, reporting obligations, and applicable laws.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

ADOPTED this 11th day of March, 2026, by The Cottage City Commission of the Town of Cottage City, Maryland.

ATTEST: TOWN OF COTTAGE CITY, MARYLAND

John Hoatson, Town Manager By: _____
Wanda Wheatley, Ward 3, Commissioner Chair

CERTIFICATION

I, HEREBY CERTIFY, as the duly appointed Town Manager of the Town of Cottage City, Maryland, that on the 11th day of March 2026 with ___ Aye votes and ___ Nay votes, the aforesaid Resolution 2026-08 passed.

John Hoatson, Town Manager