

Mayor and Council Communication

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LOG NAME: 35FY26 TARRANT REGIONAL AUTO CRIMES TASK FORCE

SUBJECT

(ALL) Authorize Execution of an Interlocal Agreement with Tarrant County to Participate in the Tarrant Regional Auto Crimes Task Force, Authorize Acceptance of a Grant Award for the Tarrant County Regional Auto Crimes Task Force in an Amount Up to \$167,563.00, Authorize Transfer from the General Fund in an Amount Up to \$32,383.00 to the Grants Operating State Fund for the City's Match Requirement, and Adopt Appropriation Ordinances

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Authorize execution of an Interlocal Agreement with Tarrant County to participate in the Tarrant Regional Auto Crimes Task Force;
 2. Authorize acceptance of a grant award for the Tarrant Regional Auto Crimes Task Force in an amount up to \$167,563.00;
 3. Adopt the attached appropriation ordinance reallocating appropriations in the General Fund for the Police Department by decreasing appropriations from Salary and Benefits category in an amount up to \$32,383.00 and increasing appropriations in the Transfers & Other category by the same amount, for the purpose of transferring to the Grants Operating State Fund for the City's match requirement; and
 4. Adopt the attached appropriation ordinance increasing estimated receipts and appropriations in the Grants Operating State Fund, (1) in an amount up to \$135,180.00, subject to the receipt of the grant, and (2) in an amount up to \$32,383.00, as a transfer from the General Fund, as the City's match requirement, for a total up to \$167,563.00, for the purpose of funding participation in the Tarrant Regional Auto Crimes Task Force.
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DISCUSSION:

The City of Fort Worth has been an active participant in the Tarrant Regional Auto Crimes Task Force (Task Force) since 1993. As auto crimes continue to evolve, a cooperative effort is necessary to effectively detect and eradicate automobile-related crimes. The Task Force uses coordinated and cooperative enforcement, crime prevention techniques, and technology to investigate auto crimes. Task Force participation for the new Fiscal Year of the grant consists of thirteen local agencies along with Tarrant County. The Task Force is grant-funded through the Motor Vehicle Crime Prevention Authority. The City of Fort Worth is a sub-recipient of the grant.

The Fort Worth Police Department will assign one detective to the Task Force. The grant funds will reimburse eighty percent of salary and fringe and one hundred percent of authorized overtime up to five percent of annual salary in an amount up to \$135,180.00 to the City for the detective assigned. The agreement requires match funds of twenty percent for salary and fringe in an amount up to \$32,383.00 from the General Fund. The detective selected for the task force performs work related to auto crimes. The combined grant funding and City's match represent the total compensation budget for this position. If these funds become unavailable, the Police Department would determine a transition plan to identify additional funding sources such as the General Fund or suspend the program.

Indirect costs are not allowable expenses under this grant. There is no grant application repository number, as the Police Department does not apply for these funds.

This Task Force serves ALL COUNCIL DISTRICTS.

A Form 1295 is not required because: This contract will be with a governmental entity, state agency or public institution of higher education: TARRANT COUNTY

FISCAL INFORMATION / CERTIFICATION:

The Director of Finance certifies that upon approval of the above recommendations and adoption of the attached appropriation ordinances, funds will be available in the current operating budget, as appropriated, in the Grants Operating State Fund. The Police Department (and Financial Management Services) will be responsible for the collection and deposit of funds due to the City. Prior to any expenditure being incurred, the Police Department has the responsibility to validate the availability of funds. This is a reimbursement grant.

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