

Mayor and Council Communication

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SUBJECT

(ALL) Authorize Execution of a Five-Year Memorandum of Agreement with the United States Department of Justice, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives for Participation in a Joint Investigations, Authorize Acceptance of Reimbursement Funds in the Amount Not to Exceed \$105,000.00 and Adopt Appropriation Ordinance

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Authorize the execution of a five-year Memorandum of Agreement with the United States Department of Justice, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives for participation in a joint investigations;
 2. Authorize the acceptance of an amount not to exceed \$105,000.00 for the Fort Worth Police Department's participation in the joint law enforcement operations task force; and
 3. Adopt the attached appropriation ordinance increasing estimated receipts and appropriations in the Grants Operating Other Fund, subject to receipt of the grant, in the amount up to \$105,000.00, for the purpose of funding the joint task force with the United States Department of Justice, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives.
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DISCUSSION:

The Fort Worth Police Department has participated in ongoing joint investigation operations with the United States Department of Justice, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF) since 1998. On July 12, 2011, (Mayor and Council Communication C-24996) City Council authorized the execution of a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with the ATF for ongoing joint law enforcement operations. The purpose of the task force is to collaborate on investigations affecting this geographic area. The MOA obligates the City of Fort Worth, through its Police Department, to assign officers to ATF task force investigations and joint operations on an as-needed basis.

Pursuant to the MOA, the City of Fort Worth is reimbursed for overtime salary costs and other costs, with prior ATF approval, including but not limited to travel, fuel, training, and equipment incurred by the Fort Worth Police Department in providing resources to assist the ATF in an amount of up to \$21,000.00 per year for five years. The MOA authorized by this M&C will be a five-year agreement and will terminate at the close of business on September 30, 2027. Indirect costs are not eligible for reimbursement. The City of Fort Worth is not required to provide matching funds.

This contract will be with a governmental entity, state agency or public institution of higher education: United States Department of Justice.

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

FISCAL INFORMATION / CERTIFICATION:

The Director of Finance certifies that upon approval of the above recommendations and adoption of the attached appropriation ordinance, funds will be available in the current operating budget, as appropriated, in the Grants Operating Other 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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