

Mayor and Council Communication

DATE: 12/09/25

M&C FILE NUMBER: M&C 25-1110

LOG NAME: 35FY2026 STATE CRIME LAB PORTAL PROGRAM

SUBJECT

(ALL) Ratify the Application for, and Authorize Acceptance of, If Awarded, the Crime Laboratory Portal Records Grant Program from the Office of the Texas Governor, Public Safety Office, Fiscal Year 2026 in an Amount Up to \$500,000.00 for Costs Associated with Maintaining a Computerized Crime Laboratory Portal, Authorize Execution of Related Grant Agreement with the Office of the Texas Governor, Public Safety Office, Adopt Resolution Accepting Grant Funds and Making Assurances, and Adopt Appropriation Ordinance

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Ratify the application for, and authorize acceptance of, if awarded, the Crime Laboratory Portal Records Grant Program from the Office of the Texas Governor, Public Safety Office, Fiscal Year 2026 in an Amount Up to \$500,000.00 for costs associated with maintaining a computerized crime laboratory portal;
2. Authorize the execution of a related grant agreement with the Office of the Texas Governor, Public Safety Office;
3. Adopt the attached Resolution for acceptance of grant funds in an amount up to \$500,000.00 and to make assurances as required by the Fiscal Year 2026 Public Safety Office Grant Program; and
4. Adopt the attached appropriation ordinance increasing estimated receipts and appropriations in the Grants Operating State Fund, subject to receipt of the grant, in an amount up to \$500,000.00, for the purpose of funding costs associated with maintaining a computerized crime laboratory portal.

DISCUSSION:

The application deadline for the Office of the Texas Governor, Public Safety Office, Crime Laboratory Portal Records Grant Program is November 20, 2025.

The Fort Worth Police Department Crime Lab (FWPD-CL) will request funding in an amount up to \$500,000.00 for costs associated with maintaining a computerized crime laboratory portal. If awarded, the FWPD-CL will spend the funding on contractual services to eligible activities including but not limited to IT infrastructure, application programming interfaces (APIs) for integration, servers, and other eligible costs associated with the transferring of crime laboratory records established under Section 411.162 of the Government Code as required by the instructions in the grant.

No salaries are being charged to this grant, and therefore indirect cost recovery does not apply. The Grant Application Repository number for tracking purposes is GRNT-APPL-0000000154.

Matching funds are not required under the grant. The funding type is reimbursable.

The grant will serve 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: Office of the Texas Governor

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 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 an expenditure being incurred, the Police Department has the responsibility to validate the availability of funds. This is a reimbursement grant.

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