

# Mayor and Council Communication

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LOG NAME: 35FY24 REPUBLICAN NATIONAL CONVENTION

## **SUBJECT**

(ALL) Authorize Acceptance of Up to \$220,456.18 in United States Bureau of Justice Assistance Grant Funds as a Subrecipient of the City of Milwaukee, Wisconsin as Reimbursement for Providing Additional Law Enforcement Personnel to Assist with Security During the 2024 Republican National Convention and Adopt Appropriation Ordinance

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## **RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Authorize acceptance of up to \$220,456.18 in United States Bureau of Justice Assistance grant funds as a subrecipient of the City of Milwaukee, Wisconsin as reimbursement for expenses incurred in providing additional law enforcement personnel to assist with security for the 2024 Republican National Convention; and
2. Adopt the attached appropriation ordinance increasing estimated receipts and appropriations in the Grants Operating Federal Fund in the amount of \$220,456.18.

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## **DISCUSSION:**

The City of Milwaukee, Wisconsin (City of Milwaukee), will host the 2024 Republican National Convention (RNC) July 15, 2024 through July 18, 2024. The RNC has been declared a National Special Security Event by the federal government, which means extraordinary security measures will be required. As such, the Fort Worth Police Department (FWPD) will travel to Milwaukee to assist the Milwaukee Police Department (MPD) with their policing efforts. The total event period will be from July 12, 2024 through July 20, 2024.

The FWPD Direct Response Unit will send 19 officers to Milwaukee to provide delegate security, traffic control, and special events coordination. The FWPD Central Bike Unit will send 31 officers to Milwaukee to assist in crowd control operations as well. The Direct Response Unit and the Central Bike Unit are training on coordination efforts, if the need should arise, while they are in Milwaukee.

The Justice Department, using a Bureau of Justice Assistance Grant, is the main funding source for the extraordinary security measures required for the RNC as a National Security Event. The City of Milwaukee is the fiscal agent of the grant. After the conclusion of the RNC, the City of Milwaukee will reimburse the City of Fort Worth using grant funds in an amount up to \$220,456.18 for salaries and overtime payments for officers participating in the RNC event. Travel expenditures will also be reimbursed. There is no match requirement or indirect costs allowed.

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

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## **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, of the Grants Operating Federal 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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