

City of Fort Worth, Texas

# Mayor and Council Communication

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SUBJECT

(ALL) Authorize the Acceptance of Reimbursement Funds for Overtime Expenditures in an Amount Up to \$92,000.00 for Participation in the Federal Bureau of Investigation North Texas Child Exploitation and Human Trafficking Task Force for Fiscal Years 2025 - 2028, and Adopt Appropriation Ordinance

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Authorize the acceptance of reimbursement funds for overtime expenditures in an amount up to \$92,000.00 for participation in the Federal Bureau of Investigation North Texas Child Exploitation and Human Trafficking Task Force for Fiscal Years 2025 - 2028; and
2. Adopt the attached appropriation ordinance increasing estimated receipts and appropriations in the Grants Operating Other Fund, in an amount up to \$92,000.00, for the participation in the Federal Bureau of Investigation North Texas Child Exploitation and Human Trafficking Task Force.

DISCUSSION:

The mission of the North Texas Child Exploitation and Human Trafficking Task Force (NTCEHTTF) is to provide a rapid, proactive, and intelligence-driven investigative response to the sexual victimization of children and other crimes against children within the Federal Bureau of Investigation's (FBI) jurisdiction and to identify and rescue child victims. NTCEHTTF's primary objective is to reduce the vulnerability of children to sexual exploitation and abuse, reduce the negative impact of domestic and international parental rights disputes, and strengthen the capabilities of the FBI and federal, state, local, and international law enforcement through training, intelligence-sharing, technical support, and investigative assistance.

In Fiscal Year 2024, Mayor and Council Communication (M&C 24-0210) authorized the execution of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) and Cost Reimbursement Agreement (CRA) (City Secretary Contract No. 61382) with the FBI to participate in the NTCEHTTF. Pursuant to the CRA, the FBI will reimburse the City of Fort Worth for the officer's direct overtime salary expenses up to an amount not to exceed monthly and/or annual limits established annually by the FBI. This M&C requests appropriations in an amount up to \$92,000.00 to be disbursed at an amount up to \$23,000.00 per year for four years for continued participation in the NTCEHTTF.

The term of this memorandum of understanding is for the duration of the NTCEHTTF operations and may be terminated at any time upon 30-day written notification. Indirect costs are not eligible for reimbursement. The City is not required to provide matching funds.

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

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

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