

Mayor and Council Communication

DATE: 11/12/24

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LOG NAME: 35FY23 PROJECT SAFE NEIGHBORHOOD

SUBJECT

(ALL) Ratify Application for, and Authorize Acceptance of, if Awarded, United States Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance, One Safe Place, FY23 Project Safe Neighborhood Grant to Occur in Fiscal Years 2025-2026 in an Amount Up to \$200,000.00, Authorize Execution of Related Grant Agreement, and Adopt Appropriation Ordinance

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Ratify application for, and authorize acceptance of, if awarded, United States Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance, One Safe Place, FY23 Project Safe Neighborhood grant, in an amount up to \$200,000.00 for Fiscal Years 2025-2026;
 2. Authorize the execution of a grant agreement with One Safe Place; and
 3. Adopt the attached appropriation ordinance increasing estimated receipts and appropriations in the Grants Operating Federal Fund subject to the receipt of the grant in an amount up to \$200,000.00 for the purpose of funding specialized minor equipment and training for the Fort Worth Police Department Gang Unit.
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DISCUSSION:

The purpose of the United States Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance, One Safe Place, FY23 Project Safe Neighborhood (PSN) grant is to reduce gun and gang violence by the most violent individuals in target neighborhoods by employing a research-driven, intelligence-led, and problem-solving approach to reducing firearm and gang violence through enforcement, deterrence, and prevention. The funds will support the purchase of minor equipment and training to enhance the Gang Unit's current best practices for enforcement, deterrence, and prevention. The minor equipment is not standard department issue. Training will take place through attendance at national conferences. The grant period for this award is from 10/01/2024 to 09/30/2026.

Funding in an amount up to \$200,000.00 will be used for safety and surveillance equipment and training. The City is not required to provide matching funds. Indirect cost is not applicable as a budget category under this grant.

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 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 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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