

Mayor and Council Communication

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M&C FILE NUMBER: M&C 22-1069

LOG NAME: 35FY 23 TARRANT AUTO CRIMES TASK FORCE

SUBJECT

(ALL) Authorize Execution of an Interlocal Agreement with Tarrant County to Participate in the Tarrant Regional Auto Crimes Task Force, Authorize Acceptance of a Grant Award for the Tarrant County Regional Auto Crimes Task Force in the Amount of \$133,875.00, Authorize Transfer from the Department General Fund of \$32,083.00 to the Grants Operating State Fund for the City's Match Requirement, Amend the Fiscal Year 2023 Adopted Budget and Adopt Appropriation Ordinance

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Authorize the execution of an Interlocal Agreement with Tarrant County to participate in the Tarrant Regional Auto Crimes Task Force;
2. Authorize the acceptance of grant funding award for the Tarrant Regional Auto Crimes Task Force in the amount of \$133,875.00;
3. Adopt the attached ordinances reallocating appropriations in the Police Department of the General Fund by decreasing appropriations from Salary and Benefits category in the amount of \$32,083.00 and increasing appropriations in the Transfer Out & Other category by the same amount;
4. Adopt the attached appropriation ordinances increasing estimated receipts and appropriations in the Grants Operating State Fund, (1) by \$133,875.00 subject to the receipt of the grant, and (2) by \$32,083.00, as a transfer from the General Fund, as the City's match requirement, for a total of \$165,958.00, for the purpose of funding participation in the Tarrant Regional Auto Crimes Task Force; and
5. Amend the Fiscal Year 2023 Adopted Budget.

DISCUSSION:

The City of Fort Worth has been an active participant in the Tarrant Regional Auto Crimes Task Force (Task Force) since 1993. The Task Force uses coordinated and cooperative enforcement, crime prevention techniques and technology to investigate auto crimes. The Task Force is grant funded through the Motor Vehicle Crime Prevention Authority, formerly known as Automobile Burglary and Theft Prevention Authority. The City of Fort Worth is a sub-recipient of the grant.

Currently, seven municipal police agencies participate in the Task Force and are partially reimbursed for their participation. The Fort Worth Police Department will assign one detective to the Task Force. The grant funds will reimburse the City \$133,875.00 for the detective's salary, fringe benefits, and authorized overtime up to five percent of annual salary. The agreement requires a match of \$32,083.00 from the General Fund. The detective selected for the task force was budgeted 100 percent to the General Fund to perform work related to auto crimes. The combined grant funding and City's match represent the total compensation budget for this position.

Indirect costs are not allowable expenses under this grant.

The action in the M&C will amend the Fiscal Year 2023 Adopted Budget as approved in connection with Ordinance 25773-09-2022, Section 1. General Fund, as listed on page 3.

Fund / Department Budget Category	FY2023 Adopted Budget	Budget Change (Increase/Decrease)	Revised FY2023 Budget
General Fund-Expenditures			
Police	\$ 298,551,538.00	\$ (32,083.00)	\$ 298,519,455.00
Transfers & Other	\$ 0.00	\$ 32,083.00	\$ 32,083.00
Total Expenditures	\$ 298,551,538.00		\$ 298,551,538.00

This Task Force serves ALL COUNCIL DISTRICTS.

FISCAL INFORMATION / CERTIFICATION:

The Director of Finance certifies that upon approval of the above recommendations and adoption of the attached appropriation ordinances, 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 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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