

Mayor and Council Communication

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SUBJECT

(ALL) Authorize the Execution of an Interlocal Agreement with the City of North Richland Hills to Provide Equipment for the Gang Unit, K9 Unit, Vice Unit, and Program Support Division, and Authorize the Acceptance of Equipment Valued in the Amount of \$250,557.60 from the Department of Homeland Security through the City of North Richland Hills

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Authorize the execution of an Interlocal Agreement with the City of North Richland Hills for equipment for the Gang Unit, K9 Unit, Vice Unit, and Program Support Division; and
2. Authorize the acceptance of equipment valued in the amount of \$250,557.60 from the Department of Homeland Security through the City of North Richland Hills.

DISCUSSION:

The City of North Richland Hills was selected by the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) for participation in the Texas Anti-Gang Center (TAG). The TAG is designed to be a facility that allows multiple law enforcement agencies to work more efficiently and effectively in investigating gang activity in North Texas. To effectively investigate violent and organized criminal offenders, law enforcement agencies must act in partnership with one another to ensure a safe community environment for all. Recognizing the importance of the City of Fort Worth with this effort, the City of North Richland Hills decided to extend this partnership to the City of Fort Worth.

The purpose of this Mayor and Council Communication (M&C) is to authorize the acceptance and execution of the Interlocal Agreement. The City of North Richland Hills Interlocal Agreement has a start date of September 1, 2022, and an end date of August 31, 2023. Per the Interlocal Agreement, the City of Fort Worth will receive the following equipment:

Area	Item	Quantity	Unit Cost	Total
Gang Section	Ballistic Vest Level IIIA and Accessories	8	\$3,632.20	\$29,057.60
Vice Unit	covert cameras	1	\$12,000.00	\$12,000.00
K9 Unit	Narcotics/Search and Rescue Canine	1	\$9,500.00	\$9,500.00
Program Support Division	Gunshot Detection System	1	\$200,000.00	\$200,000.00

Following the purchase and receipt of the above assets by the City of North Richland Hills, ownership of the assets shall then be transferred to the City of Fort Worth. After the transfer, the City of Fort Worth takes full possession, ownership, and responsibility for the assets, including maintenance or replacement.

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

FISCAL INFORMATION / CERTIFICATION:

The Director of Finance certifies that approval of these recommendations will have no material effect on City funds. Any assets recorded on the City's financial statements associated with this equipment will be adjusted upon approval.

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