

# Mayor and Council Communication

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**SUBJECT**

(ALL) Authorize the Acceptance of Reimbursement Funds for Overtime Expenses in an Amount up to \$240,000.00 and Adopt Appropriation Ordinance

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**RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Authorize the acceptance of reimbursement funds for overtime expenses in an amount up to \$240,000.00; and
  2. Adopt the attached appropriation ordinance increasing estimated receipts and appropriations in the Grants Operating Other Fund, subject to receipt of the grant, in an amount up to \$240,000.00 for the purpose of funding the Police Department's participation in the Federal Bureau of Investigation's Dallas Violent Crimes Task Force.
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**DISCUSSION:**

The Dallas Violent Crimes Task Force (DVCTF) previously operated under the title of Tarrant County Safe Streets Task Force (TCSSTF). The DVCTF was created by the United States Federal Bureau of Investigation to establish a cooperative effort of law enforcement resources. The DVCTF identifies and targets for prosecution criminal enterprise groups who are responsible for drug trafficking, money laundering, alien smuggling, and crimes of violence. The DVCTF focuses on the apprehension of dangerous fugitives when there is a federal investigative interest. DVCTF efforts enhance the effectiveness of federal, state and local law enforcement resources by utilizing a well-coordinated initiative with innovative and effective techniques to convict and incarcerate dangerous offenders.

On February 14, 2017, Mayor and Council Communication (M&C C-28108) City Council authorized the execution of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) (City Secretary Contract No. 44638) with the United States Federal Bureau of Investigation for the Police Department's participation in the TCSSTF. Since that time, the Fort Worth Police Department has continued to participate in the task force. There are three officers assigned to the task force whose overtime expenses are reimbursable under a Cost Reimbursement Agreement. This Mayor and Council Communication is necessary to appropriate funds for the reimbursement of overtime costs in the amount of \$240,000.00 (\$60,000.00 per year for four years) for work performed by the officers assigned to the task force.

The term of this MOU is for the duration of the DVCTF 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

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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, 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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