City of Fort Worth, Texas Mayor and Council Communication

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LOG NAME: 35FY23 BULLET RESISTANT SHIELD GRANT PROGRAM

SUBJECT

(ALL) Authorize the Application for, and Authorize Acceptance of, if Awarded, the Office of the Governor, Public Safety Office, Criminal Justice Division Fiscal Year 2023 Bullet-Resistant Shield Grant Program in an Amount up to \$1,300,000.00, Authorize Execution of a Grant Agreement with the Office of the Governor, Adopt Resolution and Adopt Appropriation Ordinance

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

- 1. Authorize the application for, and authorize acceptance of, if awarded, the Office of the Governor, Public Safety Office, Criminal Justice Division Fiscal Year 2023 Bullet-Resistant Shield Grant Program in an amount up to \$1,300,000.00;
- 2. Authorize the execution of a grant agreement with the Office of the Governor, Public Safety Office, Criminal Justice Division;
- 3. Adopt the attached Resolution for acceptance of grant funds in an amount up to \$1,300,000.00 and to make assurances as required by the Bullet-Resistant Shield Grant Program; and
- Adopt the attached appropriation ordinance increasing estimated receipts and appropriations in the Grants Operating State Fund, subject to receipt of the grant, in an amount up to \$1,300,000.00, for the purpose of funding costs associated with the purchase of bullet-resistant shields.

DISCUSSION:

The Fort Worth Police Department is requesting to apply for the Office of the Governor, Public Safety Office, Criminal Justice Division Fiscal Year 2023 Bullet-Resistant Shield Grant Program in the amount up to \$1,300,000.00 for costs associated with the purchase of bullet-resistant shields. The State of Texas is working to ensure law enforcement partners across the state are able to protect children, teachers, and schools as the new school year begins. These new funds will give law enforcement officers expanded access to critical protective equipment. If awarded, the allowable use of funds are limited to the purchase of bullet-resistant shields compliant with the National Institute of Justice (NIJ) Level III, III+, or IV.

The bullet-resistant shields will be issued to 340 patrol officers, 60 School Resource Officers and, 11 to the Fort Worth Police Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT) Team.

Matching funds are not required under the grant program. The funding type is reimbursable.

Indirect costs are unallowable for this grant program.

The grant will serve ALL COUNCIL DISTRICTS.

A Form 1295 is not required because: This contract will be with a governmental entity, state agency or public institution of higher education: Texas Office of The Governor

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 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 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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