City of Fort Worth, Texas Mayor and Council Communication

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SUBJECT

(ALL) Authorize Continuation of the Memorandum of Understanding and Cost Reimbursement Agreement for Five Years with the United States Federal Bureau of Investigation for Participation in a North Texas Joint Terrorism Task Force, Accept an Amount Up to \$115,000.00 and Adopt Appropriation Ordinance

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

- 1. Authorize a five-year continuation of the Memorandum of Understanding and Cost Reimbursement Agreement with the United States Federal Bureau of Investigation to participate in the North Texas Joint Terrorism Task Force; and
- Adopt the attached appropriation ordinance increasing estimated receipts and appropriations in the Grants Operating Other Fund, subject to receipt of the grant, in the amount up to \$115,000.00 (\$23,000.00 per year for five years), for reimbursable funds for the Police Department's participation in the joint operation.

DISCUSSION:

During fiscal year 2004, federal funds were appropriated to fund overtime for police officers for detection, investigation and prosecution of crimes against the United States. The Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) Counterterrorism Division formalized this Task Force with member agencies eligible to receive overtime reimbursement for their participation on the Task Force. Since 2006, the Fort Worth Police Department (a member agency) has dedicated one (1) police officer full-time to this effort as part of the Homeland Security Program (Mayor and Council Communications (M&C) C-21420, C-24932, and C-28509).

This M&C is to accept funding for the next five (5) years for overtime payments made to the officer assigned full-time to the task force in the amount of \$115,000.00 (\$23,000.00 per year for five years). Yearly reimbursement amounts are based on the annual Notice of Limits received from the FBI. The FBI reserves the right to change the reimbursement limits, upward or downward, for subsequent periods based on fiscal priorities and appropriations limits. The Cost Reimbursement Agreement (City Secretary Contract No. 31470) outlines reimbursement information.

The agreement remains in effect for the duration of the agency's participation in the task force and may be terminated at any time upon mutual consent of the parties with at least a 30 days notice to terminate. This is a reimbursement agreement and indirect costs are not allowed.

This Task Force serves 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: Federal Bureau of Investigation

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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