# City of Fort Worth, Texas Mayor and Council Communication

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## SUBJECT

Authorize Execution of Agreement with the United States Department of Justice, Drug Enforcement Administration, to Participate in the Drug Enforcement Administration Tactical Diversion Group Task Force, Authorize Acceptance of Reimbursement Funds in an Amount of \$18,649.00, Authorize Execution of Asset Forfeiture Sharing Agreement and Adopt Appropriation Ordinance (ALL COUNCIL DISTRICTS)

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Authorize the execution of Agreement with the United States Department of Justice, Drug Enforcement Administration, to participate in the Drug Enforcement Administration Tactical Diversion Group Task Force;

2. Authorize the execution of an Asset Forfeiture Sharing Agreement governing the Task Force's equitable sharing requests and participation in the United States Department of Justice Equitable Sharing Program;

3. Authorize the acceptance of reimbursement funds in an amount of \$18,649.00; and

4. Adopt the attached Appropriation Ordinance increasing estimated receipts and appropriations in the Grants Operating Other Fund in an amount of \$18,649.00, for the purpose of receiving reimbursable funds for the Fort Worth Police Department Narcotics Unit's participation in the Drug Enforcement Administration Tactical Diversion Group Task Force for fiscal year 2020, upon execution of the Agreement.

## **DISCUSSION:**

The Fort Worth Police Department has been part of the DEA Tactical Diversion Group Task Force (Task Force) since FY16 (M&C's C-27717, C-28080, C-28435, & C-28946 and contract numbers 48072, 48951, 51619). The Fort Worth Police officer assigned to this Task Force performs activities and duties such as investigating individuals and/or organizations involved in diversionary schemes, investigating and reporting intelligence data relating to trafficking of controlled pharmaceuticals, conducting undercover operations, and engaging in other traditional methods of investigations.

There will be one officer assigned to the Task Force. Pursuant to the agreement, the DEA will reimburse the City of Fort Worth for the officer's overtime expenses and other eligible expenses as approved. Indirect costs are not eligible for reimbursement. No matching funds are required.

This Grant 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: Drug Enforcement Administration

## FISCAL INFORMATION / CERTIFICATION:

The Director of Finance certifies that upon approval of the above recommendation, receipt of funding, and adoption of the attached appropriation ordinance, funds will be available in the current operating budget, as appropriated, of the Grants Operating Other Fund. This is a reimbursement grant. The Police Department is responsible for requesting all reimbursement.

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