

AGENDA MEMORANDUM

Action item for the City Council meeting of March 17, 2020

DATE: March 5, 2020

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Authorization of a grant application submission to the State of Texas, Office of the Governor Homeland Security Grants Division for funding available through the Local Border Security Program Grant

CAPTION:

Resolution authorizing the submission of a grant application to the Office of the Governor Homeland Security Grants Division for funding in the amount of \$135,998 for the FY 2021 Local Border Security Program Grant.

SUMMARY:

The Police Department seeks authorization for the submission of a grant application to the Office of the Governor Homeland Security Grants Division for funding available through the Local Border Security Program Grant. The purpose of the program is to sustain interagency law enforcement operations and enhance local law enforcement patrols to facilitate directed actions to deter and interdict criminal activity to assist in the execution of coordinated border security operations.

BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:

The City of Corpus Christi Police Department has been receiving the Local Border Security Program Grant since 2008. The grant helps with local patrols to deter criminal activity and assist in the execution of coordinated local border security operations. The Police Department will deploy officers on an overtime basis to conduct direct actions and operations within the city limits and extraterritorial jurisdiction (ETJ) targeting known drug, currency and human trafficking routes operating in the South Texas area to areas north of the City. The ETJ extends five miles out from the City limits.

The funding provides for overtime and retirement costs for sworn officers. There is no City match required. Grant funding is available from September 1, 2020 – August 31, 2021. The City must apply for these funds each year.

ALTERNATIVES:

Do not apply for the grant and lose the ability to provide enhanced enforcement for narcotics trafficking and other local border security activities.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact in FY2020 with the submission of the grant application. However, if awarded, grant monies will be appropriated in FY2021.

Funding Detail:

Fund: 1061 Police Grants Fund

Organization/Activity: 822821S Mission Element: 151

Project # (CIP Only):

Account: 510200 – Overtime 511000 – Retirement

RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends approving the ordinance and appropriating funds.

LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

Resolution of support