



AGENDA MEMORANDUM

Action Item for the City Council Meeting of February 15, 2022

DATE: January 25, 2022
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Approval to submit a grant application to the State of Texas, Criminal Justice Division for funding available under the FY 2023 Criminal Justice Grant Program for in-car video systems for the Police Department

CAPTION:

Resolution authorizing submission of a grant application for \$80,000.00 to the State of Texas under the FY 2023 Criminal Justice Grant Program for the purchase of 11 additional in-car video systems for the Corpus Christi Police Department.

SUMMARY:

Federal funding is available through the Office of the Governor, Public Safety Office, Criminal Justice Division for the Criminal Justice Grant Program for projects that promote public safety, reduce crime, and improve the criminal justice system.

BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:

Federal funds are available under the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program (JAG) for projects that promote public safety, reduce crime, and improve the criminal justice system.

In-car camera systems have proven to be effective in capturing video that is relevant to successful prosecutions, clearing or substantiating complaints, and documenting events that could create a liable action for or against a municipality or county agency.

The Corpus Christi Police Department (CCPD) requests the purchase of eleven additional in-car camera systems to expand its current inventory in the effort to ensure that an in-car camera is in every enforcement unit. The 11 additional in-car camera systems will be placed in CCPD police vehicles that CCPD ordered in FY 2022 and expects to receive in calendar years 2022 and 2023. The cameras will be installed by the City's vendor, C&S Plating, into the new police vehicles as they are built-out for deployment in the field. After the addition of the 11 new in-car camera systems, CCPD will have a total of 172 in-car camera systems.

The project period is from October 1, 2022 through September 30, 2023.

ALTERNATIVES:

The alternative is to not submit the grant which would result in CCPD not having the funding to put an in-car camera in every police vehicle in its inventory.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

There is no financial impact at this time.

Funding Detail

Fund	1061
Organization/Activity:	Police Grant Fund –
Mission Element:	151
Project #	N/A
Account:	520090 – Minor Tools & Equipment

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends submission of the grant application, as presented.

LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

Resolution