



AGENDA MEMORANDUM

First Reading Ordinance for the City Council Meeting of October 25, 2022
Second Reading Ordinance for the City Council Meeting of November 1, 2022

DATE: October 25, 2022
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Acceptance of a Grant from the State of Texas, Criminal Justice Division for Rifle-Resistant Body Armor for the Police Department

CAPTION:

Ordinance accepting a grant in the amount of \$20,000.00 from the State of Texas, Criminal Justice Division for Rifle-Resistant Body Armor for the Corpus Christi Police Department for the purchase of 40 additional pieces of rifle resistant body armor; and appropriating \$20,000.00 in the Police Grants Fund.

SUMMARY:

Ordinance accepts and appropriates \$20,000.00 in grant funding for the purchase of 40 additional pieces rifle resistant body armor.

BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:

The Corpus Christi Police Department (CCPD) currently has 425 rifle-resistant pieces of body armor issued to officers. The grant will cover the next Police Academy which begins in July 2022 and graduates in March 2023. The July 2022 Academy currently has 25 cadets, and the October 2022 Academy has 22 cadets. The grant will provide up to 40 additional rifle resistant pieces of body armor and CCPD will provide the remaining seven pieces of body armor from the General Fund. To date, all other sworn officers have been issued rifle-resistant body armor through a previous purchase.

The rifle-resistant body armor is issued to officers in addition to their regular field operations body armor. The rifle resistant body armor is rated at Level IV. Regular field body armor is rated Level II and is issued to cadets while they are in the Academy.

This is the first year that the City has applied for the grant. The Police Officers Association purchased the original issue of 425 rifle resistant pieces of body armor in 2017. This is the first purchase of rifle-resistant body armor that the City has applied for because previously there was not a need since CCPD had enough pieces of rifle resistant body armor to issue to all officers.

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

ALTERNATIVES:

The alternative is not to accept the grant and not purchase additional rifle resistant body armor. However, this will result in a shortage of body armor once CCPD cadets graduate and begin their field training.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The fiscal impact to FY 2023 is accepting and appropriating \$20,000.00 to the Police Grants Fund.

Funding Detail

Fund: 1061
Organization/Activity: Police Grant Fund
Mission Element: 151
Project #: 822907S
Account: 520090 – Minor Tools & Equipment

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends accepting the grant and appropriating the funds, as presented.

LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

Statement of Grant Award