



AGENDA MEMORANDUM

Action Item for the City Council Meeting of February 27, 2024

DATE: February 27, 2024
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**Acceptance of a grant to support activities for the Internet Crimes Against Children
Task Force Program**

CAPTION:

Ordinance authorizing the acceptance of a grant from the Office of the Attorney General - Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention for the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force program in the amount of \$28,410.00 to purchase forensic computer equipment and software licenses for the Corpus Christi Police Department; and appropriating the \$28,410.00 in the Police Grants Fund.

SUMMARY:

Funding is available from the Office of the Attorney General - Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention to purchase equipment and supplies to assist the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force with investigations of internet crimes against children.

BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:

The Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention - Internet Crimes against Children Task Force program has awarded a grant to the Corpus Christi Police Department to support activities of the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force (ICAC) program. The ICAC task force is continuously engaged in proactive and reactive investigations and prosecutions of persons involved in child abuse and exploitation involving the Internet.

The Corpus Christi Police Department (CCPD) has been a member of the ICAC since 2003. The funds are made available to the City by virtue of being a member of the Task Force. Items/equipment to be purchased are licenses for four forensic software packages, hard drives, flash drives, storage array, computer monitors, and laptop computers.

There is no match required by the City. Funds are available from January 1, 2024 through August 31, 2024. The City has received this grant since 2003. Last year the City was awarded \$10,000.00 from this grant.

ALTERNATIVES:

The alternative is not to accept the grant which means that less funding will be available for the investigation of internet crimes against children. CCPD relies on this grant to help fund its operations related to internet crimes against children.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The FY 2024 fiscal impact is the acceptance of the grant funds in the amount of \$28,410.00 to the Police Grants Fund.

Funding Detail:

Fund: 1061 Police Grants
Organization/Activity: 821121F
Project # (CIP Only): N/A
Account: 520090 Minor Tools and Equipment
547010 Training/travel
Amount: \$28,410.00

RECOMMENDATION:

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

LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

Ordinance
Grant award document