



## AGENDA MEMORANDUM

First Reading Ordinance for the City Council Meeting of September 22, 2020  
Second Reading Ordinance for the City Council Meeting of September 29, 2020

**DATE:** August 24, 2020  
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Accepting and Appropriating the FY2019 HIDTA Grant Award for the Police Department

### **CAPTION:**

Ordinance authorizing acceptance of a grant from the Executive Office of the President, Office of National Drug Control Policy in an amount of \$144,621.00, for the FY2019 High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area Initiative to fund salary and benefits for one civilian employee and overtime for four sworn officers; and appropriating \$144,621.00 in the Police Grants Fund.

### **SUMMARY:**

This ordinance authorizes the acceptance of a grant and appropriation of funds from the Office of National Drug Control Policy to be used for salary and benefits of one civilian employee and overtime for four sworn officers, and lease payments on four unmarked vehicles for the FY2019 High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area Initiative.

### **BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:**

The Corpus Christi Police Department (CCPD) is in the 23rd year as a participant in the Texas Coastal Corridor High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area Initiative created by the Executive Office of the President, Office of National Drug Control Policy. The grant provides funding for the salary and benefits of one administrative assistant, and overtime for four Corpus Christi Police Officers, and four lease payments on unmarked vehicles.

The initiative focuses on this specific geographic area because it serves as a conduit for narcotics into Corpus Christi and other metropolitan cities. This area is also a known location for money launderers to conduct illegitimate businesses with a consumer base that affects the local population with residual crime. Other agencies participating in the program are the Nueces County Sheriff, Texas Department of Public Safety, Drug Enforcement Administration, Internal Revenue Service, U. S. Customs, and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms. The initiative focuses on the identification and

disruption of narcotics trafficking organizations operating in Aransas, San Patricio, Refugio, Nueces, Kleberg, Kenedy, Jim Wells, Brooks, and Victoria counties. With the available funding, CCPD anticipates shipments of narcotics through this area will be intercepted and long entrenched families of narcotics traffickers will be apprehended. The potential profits from the sales of narcotics are identified and the product seized. The intelligence gathered will be uploaded to a criminal database and shared with other Drug Trafficking Initiatives across the country.

This grant award is for activities conducted during January 01, 2019 – December 31, 2020. The City is not required to match funding.

**ALTERNATIVES:**

None

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

The fiscal impact in FY 2020 is the acceptance of grant funds in an amount of \$144,621.00 and appropriating \$144,621.00 to the Police Grants Fund. There is no required match funding.

**Funding Detail:**

Fund: 1061 Police Grants Fund  
Organization/Activity:  
Project:  
Account: 510100 Salaries  
511000 Retirement  
510200 Overtime  
530160 Rentals

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends accepting the grant and appropriating the funds.

**LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:**

Ordinance  
Grant award