



AGENDA MEMORANDUM

First Reading Ordinance for the City Council Meeting December 6, 2022
Second Reading Ordinance for the City Council Meeting December 20, 2022

DATE: December 6, 2022
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Accepting and Appropriating Grant Funds from State Farm Insurance for the Police Department Crime Reduction Unit

CAPTION:

Ordinance authorizing acceptance of a grant from State Farm Insurance in an amount of \$10,000.00 for the Corpus Christi Police Department Crime Reduction Unit to purchase supplies used to promote and support Neighborhood on Watch groups throughout Corpus Christi; and appropriating \$10,000.00 in the Police Grants Fund.

SUMMARY:

This ordinance authorizes the acceptance of a \$10,000 grant from State Farm Insurance and appropriation of the funds. The grant funds will be used by the Corpus Christi Police Department (CCPD) for the Crime Reduction Unit.

BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:

The Corpus Christi Police Department (CCPD) has been awarded funding from State Farm Insurance for CCPD's Crime Reduction Unit to encourage citizen participation and to assist residential groups with organizing and maintaining active Neighborhood on Watch (NOW) programs. The grant will help purchase supplies such as brochures promoting the NOW program and crime prevention tips, signage designating streets as NOW locations, and promotional items used to promote and support NOW groups throughout Corpus Christi. NOW enhances communication within our neighborhoods and allows us to enhance our community. There currently are 40 NOW groups throughout Corpus Christi.

As part of the NOW program, residential groups will be challenged to remain active and to conduct a minimum of three neighborhood meetings per year. The NOW program also will encourage citizens to be the "first boots on the ground" in their neighborhoods and to assist in crime reduction in their neighborhoods.

This is the second time that the City has received this grant. In November 2021, the City received \$10,000.00. The award period is for November 1, 2022 through December 21, 2022

ALTERNATIVES:

The alternative is not to accept the grant funds; however, not accepting the funds will result in a less visible crime reduction program for NOW as funding for this program outside of this grant is not part of the FY 2023 Budget.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The fiscal impact for FY 2022 is the acceptance and appropriation of the State Farm Insurance grant in an amount of \$10,000.00 to the Police Grants Fund. The City is not required to provide a cash match.

Funding Detail:

Fund:	1061
Organization/Activity:	Police Grants fund
Mission Element:	152
Activity #	822908L
Account:	520090 – Minor Tools and Equipment
Amount:	\$10,000.00

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends accepting the award and appropriating the item, as presented.

LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

Grant award letter