



AGENDA MEMORANDUM

First Reading Ordinance for the City Council Meeting of March 31, 2015
Second Reading Ordinance for the City Council Meeting of April 14, 2015

DATE: March 11, 2015
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Accepting and appropriating the HIDTA grant award for the Police Department

CAPTION:

Ordinance authorizing the City Manager or designee to execute all documents necessary to accept a grant award in the amount of \$168,200 from the Executive Office of the President, Office of National Drug Control Policy, to support the Police Department's role in the Texas Coastal Corridor Initiative in the Houston High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) for the salary and benefits of a full-time program coordinator, one administrative assistant, overtime for 4 Corpus Christi Police Officers, and 4 lease vehicles; and appropriating the \$168,200 in the No. 1061 Police Grants Fund.

PURPOSE:

The grant award needs to be accepted and the funds appropriated.

BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:

The Corpus Christi Police Department is in the 19th 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 for the salary and benefits of a full-time program coordinator, one administrative assistant, and overtime for 4 Corpus Christi Police Officers, and 4 lease vehicles.

The program focuses on this specific geographic area because it serves as a conduit for narcotics into Corpus Christi and other metropolitan cities as well as a location for money launderers to conduct illegitimate businesses with a consumer base that affects the local population with residual crime. Other agencies participating 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 the counties of Aransas, San Patricio, Refugio, Nueces, Kleberg, Kenedy, Jim Wells, Brooks, and Victoria. It is anticipated that shipments of narcotics through this area will be disrupted and long entrenched families of narcotics traffickers will be apprehended. The profits from the sales of narcotics will be identified and seized and the intelligence gathered will be downloaded and

shared with other Drug Trafficking Initiatives across the country.

This grant award is for the time period 01/01/2015 – 12/31/2016. There are no matching funds required.

ALTERNATIVES:

None

OTHER CONSIDERATIONS:

None

CONFORMITY TO CITY POLICY:

Conforms to all city policies.

EMERGENCY / NON-EMERGENCY:

Non-emergency

DEPARTMENTAL CLEARANCES:

Finance
Legal

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

X Operating Revenue Capital Not applicable

Fiscal Year: 2014-2015	Project to Date Expenditures (CIP only)	Current Year	Future Years	TOTALS
Line Item Budget				
Encumbered / Expended Amount				
This item		168,200		168,200
BALANCE		168,200		168,200

Fund(s): Police Grants Fund

Comments:

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends accepting the grant and appropriating the funds.

LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

Grant award letters
Ordinance