

AGENDA MEMORANDUM

First Reading Ordinance for the City Council Meeting of March 26, 1013 Second Reading Ordinance for the City Council Meeting of April 9, 2013

DATE: February 22, 2013

TO: Ronald L. Olson, City Manager

FROM: Flovd Simpson. Chief of Police

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Accepting and appropriating the HIDTA grant for the Police Department

CAPTION:

Ordinance authorizing the City Manager or designee to execute all documents necessary to accept a grant in the amount of \$82,003 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 \$82,003 in the No. 1061 Police Grants Fund.

PURPOSE:

Accept the grant and appropriate the funds.

BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:

The Corpus Christi Police Department is in the 17th 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, 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 01/01/2013 - 12/31/2014. 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: 2012- 2013	Project to Date Expenditures (CIP only)	Current Year	Future Years	TOTALS
Line Item Budget				
Encumbered /				
Expended Amount				
This item		82,003		82,003
BALANCE		82,003		82,003

Fund(s): Police Grants Fund

Comments: This is the first of two awards, the second to follow in April or May.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends accepting the grant and appropriating the funds.

LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

Grant award letter