



AGENDA MEMORANDUM

Action Item for the City Council meeting of May 21, 2019

DATE: May 6, 2019
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Approval to submit a grant application to the Automobile Burglary and Theft Prevention Authority to continue the motor vehicle theft enforcement grant in the Police Department

CAPTION:

Resolution authorizing submission of grant application for \$418,087 to Automobile Burglary and Theft Prevention Authority (ABTPA) to continue the motor vehicle theft enforcement grant with a City cash match of \$702,757, in-kind match of \$62,046, and program income match of \$3,851 for a total project cost of \$1,186,741.

PURPOSE:

The City must apply for these funds each year.

BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:

The City of Corpus Christi is applying for Year 19 funding from the Texas Automobile Theft Prevention Authority (ATPA) to continue the motor vehicle theft unit in the Police Department. The ATPA was established in 1991 due to rising auto thefts and is funded through a monthly fee of \$2 on every insured vehicle in Texas charged to insurance companies who provide vehicle insurance coverage in Texas. The Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts collects the fee.

The unit focuses not only on detection and apprehension, but also on the salvages yards in the City and County to reduce the sale of stolen vehicles and parts. There is an extensive public awareness campaign that is a requirement of the grant which includes crime prevention programs focusing on reducing auto thefts.

The grant provides funds for one Lieutenant to supervise the Unit, two sworn CCPD officers, and two civilians. The civilians conduct data analysis, crime analysis, manage the required public awareness campaign, and maintain grant paperwork. In-kind contributions include copy machine and office space. Cash contributions from program income will cover travel expenses. The General Fund cash match is for four sworn officers who are funded and currently work in the auto theft and auto burglary bureau.

Because these funds are neither Federal nor State but from an insurance fee, there is no set time limit for the grant to end; other grantees have been continuously funded for 20 plus years. The City

must reapply each year because the ATPA requires a very close review of performance and the grantee's ability to utilize the funds efficiently.

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: 2018-2019	Project to Date Expenditures (CIP only)	Current Year	Future Years	TOTALS
Line Item Budget				
Encumbered / Expended Amount				
This item		\$34,841	\$383,246	\$418,087
BALANCE				

Funding Detail:

Fund: 1061 Police Grants Fund
Organization/Activity: Auto Theft Grant Org Program Income
Project # **(CIP Only)**:
Account: 510000

Fund: 1020 General Fund
Organization/Activity: Criminal Investigation Division
Project # **(CIP Only)**:
Account: 510000

Comments:

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends submitting the application.

LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

Resolution