



AGENDA MEMORANDUM

First Reading Ordinance for the City Council Meeting January 14, 2020
Second Reading Ordinance for the City Council Meeting January 21, 2020

DATE: December 19, 2019
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Acceptance of grant from the Ed Rachal Foundation in the amount of \$50,000 to increase drug and prostitution enforcement in the Delta 40 area

CAPTION:

Ordinance accepting a \$50,000 grant from the Ed Rachal Foundation to fund overtime for increased police presence in a neighborhood near Crosstown Expressway and Agnes Street in Council District 1; and appropriating \$50,000 in the Police Grants Fund.

SUMMARY:

The Ed Rachal Foundation has awarded a \$50,000 grant to fund overtime hours for increased enforcement of drug use and prostitution for the Police Department for the Delta 40 Area, near Crosstown Expressway and Agnes Street.

BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:

The Police Department faces challenges in the Corpus Christi neighborhood area designated as Delta 40 to include drug use and prostitution. The Delta 40 area is bordered by Crosstown Expressway, Agnes, Port, Mary, Bluntzer, Morris, and 19th street. The grant funds will be used to pay for overtime hours for officers for an average of two four-hour shifts per week for an estimated 36 weeks in fiscal year 2020. Officers will be on duty for the four-hour time slots at varying times and days including weekends.

The overtime officers will be assigned to:

1. Ride bikes, enduros (small motorcycles), or all-terrain vehicles canvassing the area
2. Conduct drug dealing investigations at houses and apartments identified for such activity
3. Conduct "john stings" in which men soliciting prostitutes are arrested
4. Conduct operations in which prostitutes are arrested for "loitering for prostitution"
5. Address quality of life issues affecting area residents

ALTERNATIVES:

There is no alternative.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no cash match. Funds will be appropriated into the FY2020 Police Grants Fund.

Funding Detail:

Fund: 1061
Organization/Activity: Police Grants fund 821604L
Mission Element: 156
Project # **(CIP Only)**:
Account: 510200 - \$40,000
511000 - \$10,000

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends accepting the award and appropriating the funds.

LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

Grant award agreement