



## **AGENDA MEMORANDUM**

Action Item for the City Council Meeting of February 16, 2021

**DATE:** February 16, 2021  
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Approval to submit a grant application to the State of Texas, Office of the Governor's Homeland Security Grants Division for FY 2022 funding available under the Local Border Security Program Grant

### **CAPTION:**

Resolution authorizing the submission of a grant application in the amount of \$140,930.23 to the Office of the Governor Homeland Security Grants Division for funding eligible under the FY 2022 Local Border Security Program Grant.

### **SUMMARY:**

The purpose of the program is to sustain interagency law enforcement operations and enhance local law enforcement patrols to facilitate directed actions to deter and interdict criminal activity to assist in the execution of coordinated border security operations.

### **BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:**

The Police Department will deploy officers on an overtime basis to conduct direct actions and operations within the city limits and extraterritorial jurisdiction (ETJ), targeting known drug, currency and human-trafficking routes operating in the South Texas area to points north (ETJ extends five miles out from the city's boundaries).

The funding provides for overtime, retirement for sworn officers. There is no City match required. Funding is available from October 1, 2021 – September 30, 2022. The City must apply for these funds each year. The City has received the grant since 2008. For FY 2021, the City was awarded \$50,000.

### **ALTERNATIVES:**

The alternative is to not apply for the grant and lose the ability to provide enhanced enforcement for narcotics trafficking.

### **FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

The Local Border Security Program Grant (LBSP) in the amount of \$140,930.23 will increase the Police Grants Revenue for the LBSP Program.

**Funding Detail**

Fund 1061 Police Grants Fund  
Organization/Activity: 1061- 822822S  
Mission Element: 156  
Project # **(CIP Only)**: N/A  
Account: 510200 – Overtime  
511000 - Retirement

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends submission of the grant application.

**LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:**

N/A