



Recommendation for Action

File #: 20-1915, **Agenda Item #:** 18.

5/21/2020

Posting Language

Approve an ordinance amending the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Austin Police Department Operating Budget Special Revenue Fund (Ordinance No. 20190910-001) to accept and appropriate \$885,407 in grant funds from the United States Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance for the Coronavirus Emergency Supplemental Funding Program.

Lead Department

Austin Police Department

Fiscal Note

Funding in the amount of \$885,407 is available from the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance. A City funding match is not required. A fiscal note is attached.

Prior Council Action:

September 10, 2019 - City Council approved Ordinance No. 20190910-001, adopting the City's Budget for Fiscal Year 2019-2020, motioned by Council Member Renteria, seconded by Council Member Tovo, Council Member Flannigan voted nay and the item was approved on a 10-1 vote. There have been no prior Council actions specific to this grant.

For More Information:

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Additional Backup Information:

This action will accept and appropriate \$885,407 in grant funds from the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance; and amend the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Austin Police Department Operating Budget Special Revenue Fund (Ordinance No. 20190910-001) to appropriate \$885,407 for the Austin Police Department Coronavirus Emergency Supplemental Funding (CESF) Program for the grant period, January 20, 2020 - January 19, 2022.

APD will use CESF Program funding to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the COVID-19 pandemic. All funds are allocated within four budget categories: supplies, personnel, fringe, and training/travel:

- Supplies in the form of personal protective equipment and related items comprise the majority of the budget (\$842,977).
- Personnel/fringe funding (\$33,214) will improve local COVID-19 operational response by allowing for 386 hours of sworn overtime and 193 hours of overtime for civilian support.
- Training funds (\$9,216) (set aside for the second year of the project) will allow APD to send six employees to pandemic response training. This training will inform attendees on lessons learned during the COVID-19 response and nationwide best practices/protocols for future awareness and preparation.

The General Fund will not be required to contribute additional funds beyond those currently budgeted to this grant. When the grant funds expire, APD's need for additional funds will be evaluated and may be denied

Strategic Outcome(s):

Safety.