



Recommendation for Action

File #: 20-2521, **Agenda Item #:** 8.

9/3/2020

Posting Language

Approve a resolution authorizing the application for and acceptance of grant funding in the amount of \$310,000 from the State of Texas, Office of the Governor, Criminal Justice Division to implement the Austin Police Department project entitled Rifle-Resistant Body Armor.

Lead Department

Austin Police Department

Fiscal Note

Funding is available from the State of Texas, Office of the Governor, Criminal Justice Division, BG-Rifle-Resistant Body Armor Grant Program (BAGP) for the project period of September 1, 2020 - August 31, 2021. A City funding match is not required.

Prior Council Action:

February 15, 2018 - City Council approved Resolution No. 20180215-026 on consent on Council Member Garza's motion, Council Member Flannigan's second, with a 10-0 vote. Council Member Casar was off the dais.

For More Information:

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Additional Backup Information:

This action will provide the required resolution needed by the Criminal Justice Division (CJD) to complete the award process related to \$310,000 in grant funding. The project period is September 1, 2020 - August 31, 2021. A match is not required.

Funding will allow the City to outfit an estimated 400 officers with NIJ-rated rifle resistant body armor (replacement equipment). The grantor requires a resolution approved by Council that includes the following criteria:

1. Authorization by your governing body for the submission of the application to CJD that clearly identifies the name of the project for which funding is requested;
2. A commitment to provide all applicable matching funds;
3. A designation of the name and/or title of an authorized official who is given the authority to apply for, accept, reject, alter, or terminate a grant (Note: If a name is provided, you must update CJD should the official change during the grant period.); and
4. A written assurance that, in the event of loss or misuse of grant funds, the governing body will return all funds to CJD.

Strategic Outcome(s):

Safety.