



## Recommendation for Action

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**File #: 23-2445, Agenda Item #: 45.**

**8/31/2023**

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### **Posting Language**

Authorize the negotiation and execution of an interlocal agreement with Travis County for the City to administer the 2022 Justice Assistance Grant Program on behalf of the City and Travis County.

### **Lead Department**

Police.

### **Fiscal Note**

Funding in the amount of \$388,889 is available in a grant from the U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance, for the Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program for the project period of October 1, 2021 - September 30, 2025. A match is not required.

### **Prior Council Action:**

September 30, 2021 - Council approved the negotiation and execution of an interlocal agreement.

### **For More Information:**

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### **Additional Backup Information:**

Funding in the amount of \$388,889 is available in a grant from the U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance, Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program. The project period, October 1, 2021 - September 30, 2025, may be extended by the City with permission from the Department of Justice. A match is not required.

This action authorizes the negotiation and execution of an Interlocal Agreement with Travis County for the disparate allocation. The funding split remains to be determined. The City will serve as the fiscal agent responsible for distributing the grant funds. The City will use its portion of grant funds for law enforcement training.

Note: the federal legislation authorizing this grant program includes a provision whereby cities and counties must submit a joint funding application if the state's Attorney General certifies that a funding disparity exists in a county's allocation when compared with that of a single municipality (at least a 150 percent disparity must exist), and the county bears more than 50 percent of prosecution or incarceration costs arising from Uniform Crime Report Part 1 violent crimes reported by the municipality to the FBI.