



City of San Antonio

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DEPARTMENT: Police Department

DEPARTMENT HEAD: William McManus, Chief of Police

COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED: Citywide

SUBJECT:

Impaired Driving Mobilization DWI Enforcement Grant from the Texas Department of Transportation

SUMMARY:

An ordinance authorizing the acceptance of a Texas Department of Transportation (TXDOT) DWI traffic enforcement grant called Impaired Driving Mobilization (IDM) for the period of October 1, 2021 through September 30, 2022. The grant in the amount of \$50,000.00 will enhance the San Antonio Police Department's (SAPD) efforts to combat incidences of DWI. This ordinance will also establish a total budget of \$62,500.00 which includes grant funds of \$50,000.00 and an in-kind match not to exceed \$12,500.00.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

On August 30, 2021 the San Antonio Police Department (SAPD) received an invitation from the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) requesting that the SAPD apply for a \$50,000.00 Impaired Driving Mobilization Grant (IDM) for DWI enforcement. The grant will pay for DWI traffic enforcement on an overtime basis to help augment the SAPD's efforts to reduce the incidence of DWI. Enforcement activity will be conducted with sworn officers assigned to the

program on an overtime basis. In addition to enforcement activities there will be state-wide public information and education activities conducted by TxDOT during the enforcement period.

The grant award consists of \$50,000.00 from TXDoT and an in-kind match of \$12,500.00 for a total proposed program budget is \$62,500.00. The City's in-kind contribution will come from the cost of the vehicles (fuel, maintenance, repairs, etc.) used while performing grant activities and the administrative salary of personnel to manage the grant.

Past fiscal year IDM grant awards from the Texas Department of Transportation include:

- 2010 - Awarded \$100,000.00
- 2011 - Awarded \$ 30,000.00
- 2019 – Awarded \$ 50,000.00
- 2021 – Awarded \$ 65,000.00

The grant application was approved through a Grant Application Authorization Form (GAAF) dated September 30, 2021.

The Public Safety Committee was briefed on this grant on November 16, 2021.

ISSUE:

This ordinance authorizes the acceptance of a Texas Department of Transportation (TXDoT) DWI traffic enforcement grant for the period of October 1, 2021 through September 30, 2022 in the amount of \$50,000.00 and establishes a total budget of \$62,500.00 which includes the grant funds and an in-kind match of \$12,500.00.

ALTERNATIVES:

This grant provides funding for over 700 hours of DWI enforcement which would not be possible without the funding.

FISCAL IMPACT:

This ordinance appropriates a budget of \$62,500.00 comprised of the grant funds of \$50,000.00 and an in-kind match of \$12,500.00. The City's in-kind contribution comes from the cost of the vehicles (fuel, maintenance, repairs, etc.) used while performing grant activities and the administrative salary of personnel to manage the grant.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the City Council approves the acceptance of the grant funds from TXDOT in order to augment DWI traffic enforcement efforts.