

# Memorandum



CITY OF DALLAS

DATE September 8, 2023

Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council  
TO Cara Mendelsohn (Chair), Kathy Stewart (Vice Chair), Tennell Atkins, Jesse Moreno  
Gay Donnell Willis

SUBJECT **September 27, 2023 City Council Draft Agenda Item #51; 23-2194 Task Force Fund**

The following agenda item is scheduled to go before the City Council on September 27, 2023.

## **DRAFT AGENDA ITEM #51; 23-2194**

Authorize **(1)** the Dallas Police Department to receive and deposit funds in the amount of \$600,000.00 from various federal, state, and local law enforcement agencies to participate in investigations, receive reimbursements, share asset forfeitures, and set out operational procedures as requested for various task forces including, but not limited to those shown (list attached to the Agenda Information Sheet) for reimbursement of overtime for investigative services for FY 2023-24; **(2)** a City contribution of Federal Insurance Contributions Act costs in the amount of \$8,700.00; **(3)** an increase in appropriations in an amount not to exceed \$600,000.00 in the Various Task Force Fund; and **(4)** execution of the agreements - Total not to exceed \$608,700.00 - Financing: General Fund (\$8,700.00) (subject to appropriations) and Various Federal, State, and Local Law Enforcement Agencies (\$600,000.00)

## **BACKGROUND**

The Dallas Police Department is routinely asked to participate in various federal, state, and local law enforcement investigation task forces and receives reimbursement for expenses associated with those task forces from the sponsoring federal, state, or local agency involved. The reimbursed expenses are generally for the Dallas Police Department officers' overtime associated with the investigations. Occasionally, the task force agreement specifies reimbursement for other miscellaneous expenses.

The Dallas Police Department participates in approximately 18 to 25 task forces per year for varying lengths of time. Each task force investigation is usually confidential, and the officers assigned to the investigation are generally undercover officers. Each task force agreement specifies the nature, the time- period and maximum amount of reimbursement the City may receive and must be signed by an authorized official of the City.

The purpose of this agenda item is to create a better tracking-monitoring system on all task force activities. In Fiscal Year 1999-00, the Dallas Police Department initiated a procedure to obtain approval for all task force participation through one City Council

resolution in lieu of processing an Administrative Action for each task force each fiscal year. This procedure ensures that the agreements are processed in a routine, but confidential manner.

Funding allocations represent projections only and are subject to modification based upon the progress and needs of the investigation. Additionally, resources are contingent upon the availability of federal, state, and local funds as well as the availability of Dallas Police Department officers to work on a task force as planned. Approval of this item will ensure that all task force revenues are authorized to be deposited, and subsequently, the general fund will be reimbursed consistent with the original overtime expenditures.

### **PRIOR ACTION/REVIEW (COUNCIL, BOARDS, COMMISSIONS)**

On September 12, 2018, City Council authorized the Dallas Police Department to receive funds from various federal and state law enforcement agencies; a City contribution of pension and Federal Insurance Contributions Act and execution of the agreements by Resolution No. 18-1280.

On September 11, 2019, City Council authorized the Dallas Police Department to receive funds from various federal and state law enforcement agencies; a City contribution of pension and Federal Insurance Contributions Act and execution of the agreements by Resolution No. 19-1417.

On October 13, 2020, City Council authorized the Dallas Police Department to receive funds from various federal and state law enforcement agencies; a City contribution of pension and Federal Insurance Contributions Act and execution of the agreements by Resolution No. 20-1566.

On September 22, 2021, City Council authorized the Dallas Police Department to receive funds from various federal and state law enforcement agencies; a City contribution of pension and Federal Insurance Contributions Act and execution of the agreements by Resolution No. 21-1514.

On September 28, 2022, City Council authorized the Dallas Police Department to receive funds from various federal and state law enforcement agencies; a City contribution of pension and Federal Insurance Contributions Act and execution of the agreements by Resolution No. 22-1476.

### **FISCAL INFORMATION**

Fund	FY 2023	FY 2024	Future Years
General Fund	\$8,700.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Various Task Force Fund	\$600,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total	\$608,700.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

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Should you have any questions regarding this item, please contact me at (214) 670-5299.



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