

Memorandum



CITY OF DALLAS

DATE September 9, 2024

Honorable Members of the Public Safety Committee
TO Cara Mendelsohn (Chair), Kathy Stewart (Vice Chair), Tennell Atkins, Jesse Moreno
Gay Donnell Willis

SUBJECT **September 25, 2024, City Council Draft Agenda Item #24-2676 Selective Traffic Enforcement Program (STEP) Grant**

The following agenda item is scheduled to go before Council on September 25, 2024.

DRAFT AGENDA ITEM #24-2676

Authorize the **(1)** application for and acceptance of a grant from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) through the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) for the Selective Traffic Enforcement Program (STEP) Comprehensive 2025 (Grant No. 2025-Dallas-S-1YG-00036, CFDA / Assistance Listing No. 20.600) in the amount of \$788,382.00 for travel expenses and overtime reimbursement for the period of October 1, 2024 through September 30, 2025; **(2)** establishment of appropriations in the amount not to exceed \$788,382.00 in the TxDOT FY25 STEP Comprehensive Grant Fund; **(3)** receipt and deposit of funds in the amount not to exceed \$788,382.00 in the TxDOT FY25 STEP Comprehensive Grant Fund; **(4)** a local cash match in the amount not to exceed \$219,253.20; and **(5)** execution of the award with TxDOT and all terms, conditions, and documents required by the agreement - Total amount not to exceed \$1,007,635.20 - Financing: TxDOT FY25 STEP Comprehensive Grant Fund (\$788,382.00) and General Fund (\$219,253.20) (subject to appropriations)

BACKGROUND

The TxDOT STEP Comprehensive grant fund provides for the reimbursement of overtime salaries paid to officers and supervisors enforcing specific traffic laws at targeted locations. The focus is on driving while intoxicated (DWI) violations, speeding, occupant restraint use, and traffic control device violations. The goals are: (1) to increase effective enforcement and adjudication of traffic safety-related laws to reduce fatal and serious injury crashes; (2) to reduce the number of DWI related crashes, injuries and fatalities; and (3) to increase occupant restraint use in all passenger vehicles and trucks.

FISCAL INFORMATION

Fund	FY 2025	FY 2026	Future Years
TxDOT FY25 STEP Comprehensive Grant Fund	\$788,382.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
General Fund	\$219,253.20	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total	\$1,007,635.20	\$0.00	\$0.00

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