



Legislation Text

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STRATEGIC PRIORITY: Public Safety
AGENDA DATE: September 11, 2019
COUNCIL DISTRICT(S): All
DEPARTMENT: Police Department
EXECUTIVE: Jon Fortune

SUBJECT

Authorize **(1)** an application for and acceptance of the Comprehensive Selective Traffic Enforcement Program (STEP) Grant (Grant No. 2020-Dallas-S-1YG-00016, CFDA No. 20.600) from the U.S. Department of Transportation passed through the Texas Department of Transportation in an amount of \$779,085.00, for travel expenses and overtime reimbursement for the period October 1, 2019 through September 30, 2020; **(2)** the establishment of appropriations in an amount of \$779,085.00, in the Comprehensive Selective Traffic Enforcement Program-STEP FY20 Fund; **(3)** the receipt and deposit of grant funds in an amount of \$779,085.00 in the Comprehensive Selective Traffic Enforcement Program-STEP FY20 Fund; **(4)** a local cash match in an amount of \$195,577.48; and **(5)** execution of the grant agreement and all terms, conditions, and documents required by the agreement - Total amount \$974,662.48 - Financing: Texas Department of Transportation Grant Funds (\$779,085.00) and General Fund (\$195,577.48) (subject to appropriations)

BACKGROUND

The Comprehensive STEP Grant 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.

PRIOR ACTION/REVIEW (COUNCIL, BOARDS, COMMISSIONS)

On August 27, 2014, City Council authorized an application for and acceptance of the STEP Grant from the U.S. Department of Transportation pass through for travel expenses and overtime reimbursement for the period October 1, 2014 through September 30, 2015; a city contribution of pension; and execution of the grant agreement by Resolution No. 14-1383.

On August 26, 2015, City Council authorized an application for and acceptance of the STEP Grant as

a pass through grant from the U.S. Department of Transportation for travel expenses and overtime reimbursement for the period October 1, 2015 through September 30, 2016; a local cash match of city pension contribution; and execution of the grant agreement by Resolution No. 15-1551.

On September 28, 2016, City Council authorized an application for and acceptance of the STEP Grant from the U.S. Department of Transportation passed through the Texas Department of Transportation for travel expenses and overtime reimbursement for the period October 1, 2016 through September 30, 2017; a city contribution of pension; and execution of the grant agreement by Resolution No. 16-1574.

On September 13, 2017, City Council authorized an application for and acceptance of the STEP Grant from the U.S. Department of Transportation passed through the Texas Department of Transportation for travel expenses and overtime reimbursement for the period October 1, 2017 through September 30, 2018; a city contribution of pension; and execution of the grant agreement by Resolution No. 17-1438.

On September 12, 2018, City Council authorized an application for and acceptance of the STEP Grant from the U.S. Department of Transportation passed through the Texas Department of Transportation for travel expenses and overtime reimbursement for the period October 1, 2018 through September 30, 2019; a city contribution of pension; and execution of the grant agreement by Resolution No. 18-1278.

City Council will be briefed by memorandum regarding this matter on September 6, 2019.

FISCAL INFORMATION

Texas Department of Transportation Grant Funds - \$779,085.00
General Fund - \$195,577.48 (subject to appropriations)