Legislation Text

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PILLAR:	Safe
AGENDA DATE:	September 23, 2026
COUNCIL DISTRICT(S):	Citywide
DEPARTMENT:	Dallas Police Department
PRIORITY:	Government Efficiency

SUBJECT

Authorize **(1)** the application for and acceptance of a grant from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration through the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) for the Selective Traffic Enforcement Program (STEP) Comprehensive 2027 (Grant No. 2027-Dallas-S-1YG-00007, Assistance Listing No. 20.600) in the amount of $870,196.26 for travel expenses and overtime reimbursement for the period October 1, 2026 through September 30, 2027; **(2)** the establishment of appropriations in an amount not to exceed $870,196.26 in the TxDOT FY27 STEP Comprehensive Grant Fund; **(3)** the receipt and deposit of funds in an amount not to exceed $870,196.26 in the TxDOT FY27 STEP Comprehensive Grant Fund; **(4)** a local cash match in the amount of $153,622.33; and **(5)** execution of the grant agreement with TxDOT and all terms, conditions, and documents required by the agreement - Total amount of $1,023,818.59 - Financing: TxDOT FY27 STEP Comprehensive Grant Fund ($870,196.26) and General Fund ($153,622.33) (subject to appropriations)

***In alignment with Vision Zero Plan.**

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.

PRIOR ACTION/REVIEW (COUNCIL, BOARDS, COMMISSIONS)

On October 13, 2021, the 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, 2021 through September 30, 2022; a city contribution of pension; and execution of the grant agreement by Resolution No. 21-1689.

On October 12, 2022, the 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, 2022 through September 30, 2023; a city contribution of pension; and execution of the grant agreement by Resolution No. 22-1551.

On September 27, 2023, the City Council authorized an application for and acceptance of the STEP Comprehensive 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, 2023 through September 30, 2024; a city contribution of pension; and execution of the grant agreement by Resolution No. 23-1354.

On September 25, 2024, the City Council authorized an application for and acceptance of the STEP Comprehensive 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, 2024 through September 30, 2025; a city contribution of pension; and execution of the grant agreement by Resolution No. 24-1418.

On September 24, 2025, the City Council authorized an application for and acceptance of the STEP Comprehensive 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, 2025 through September 30, 2026; a city contribution of pension; and execution of the grant agreement by Resolution No. 25-1506.

The City Council was briefed by memorandum regarding this matter on September 18, 2026. <https://dallascityhall.com/government/citymanager/Documents/FY25-26%20Memos/September%2023,%202026,%20City%20Council%20Agenda%20Item%20No.%2026-2777A,%2026-2779A,%2026-2778A,%2026-2776A,%2026-2954A,%2026-2952A%20for%20the%20Dallas%20Polic.pdf>

FISCAL INFORMATION

Fund	FY 2027	FY 2028	Future Years
TxDOT FY27 STEP Comprehensive Grant Fund	$ 870,196.26	$0.00	$0.00
General Fund	$ 153,622.33	$0.00	$0.00
Total	$1,023,818.59	$0.00	$0.00

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