

TITLE: Consider/Discuss/Act on a Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Accept, if Awarded, a Selective Traffic Enforcement Program (STEP) Grant for Fiscal Year 2024 from the Texas Department of Transportation for Overtime Traffic Safety Enforcement

COUNCIL GOAL: Safe and Secure Community

MEETING DATE: January 17, 2023

DEPARTMENT: Police Department

CONTACT: Joe Ellenburg, Chief of Police

RECOMMENDED CITY COUNCIL ACTION:

• Approval of Resolution ratifying the authorization for the City Manager to accept, if awarded, the FY24 TXDOT Comprehensive STEP Grant.

ITEM SUMMARY:

- The FY24 STEP Grant application was submitted January 4, 2023.
- The STEP Grant program pays 80% of the overtime cost for traffic officers to increase enforcement and adjudication of traffic related safety laws. A minimum 20% match is required.
- The City is applying for grant funding to pay the cost of 659 hours of overtime for traffic enforcement.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

- The grant is funded by the Texas Department of Transportation (TXDOT).
- The City has received this grant since 2008.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY:

- The total amount of the program is approximately \$57,726.00. The grant application is for \$45,000.00 and will cover the cost of the overtime and the match is approximately \$12,726.00, which is the value of the benefits provided to the officers by the City.
- The following accounts will be impacted by the additional OT benefits:

- o 001-3119-421-8020 FICA
- o 001-3119-421-8021 TMRS

BOARD OR COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION:

N/A

SUPPORTING MATERIALS:

Resolution