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TITLE: Consider/Discuss/Act on a Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Apply for, Accept, Reject, Alter or Terminate, a Grant from the U. S. Department of Justice, Administered Through the State of Texas, Office of the Governor, for a Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) Grant, to Fund a Victim Advocate

COUNCIL GOAL: Safe and Secure Community
(6D: Continually increase operational efficiency in public safety departments)

MEETING DATE: February 2, 2021

DEPARTMENT: Police Department

CONTACT: Greg Conley, Chief of Police
Hilary Jones, Financial Analyst

RECOMMENDED CITY COUNCIL ACTION: Approve Resolution

ITEM SUMMARY:

- Grant funds will be used to pay the existing Victim Advocate position in the Police Department for the next year. The Victim Advocate provides social service referrals and advocacy in to mitigate the effects of victimization, including but not limited to psychological, physical, emotional and financial effects.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

- The grant is funded through the Department of Justice and administered through the State of Texas, Office of the Governor, Criminal Justice Division.
- Without a Victim Advocate, Detectives, in addition to investigative responsibilities, would have to provide victim-support service duties.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY:

- The total provided by the grant over the next year, October 1, 2021 - September 30, 2022, will be \$67,044.
- The grant will provide \$67,044 over the next year, with a city match of \$16,079 (20%).

□ **SUMMARY OF GRANT BUDGETS** Salary\$ 60,447Supplies & Equipment\$
4237□ Training & travel\$ 1,560□ Project Supplies & Direct Victim Assistance\$ 800□

SUPPORTING MATERIALS:

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