

AGENDA



Thursday, July 23, 2009

**Police
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION****Item No. 53**

Subject: Approve a resolution accepting \$410,000 in grant funds from the State of Texas, Governor's Office, Criminal Justice Division.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding is available from the State of Texas, Governor's Office, Criminal Justice Division for the grant period June 15 - September 30, 2009. There is no required match. Related to Item #54.

Fiscal Note: A fiscal note is not required.

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To properly accept the \$410,000 in grant funding, the grantor requires a resolution that addresses the following:

1) Authorization that clearly identifies the name of the project for which funding is requested; 2) A commitment to provide all applicable matching funds; 3) A designation of the name and/or title of an authorized official who is given the authority to apply for, accept, reject, alter, or terminate a grant; and 4) A written assurance that, in the event of loss or misuse of grant funds, the governing body will return all funds to CJD.

This purchase will improve law enforcement firearms skills and decision making capabilities. Practicing in a controlled learning environment will allow first responders to safely improve upon the basic skills needed to perform their duties. The computer-simulated equipment will increase the technological capacity of the department, allowing public safety personnel to more effectively and efficiently respond to emergency and non-emergency incidents. The range will provide firearms training regardless of the time of the day or weather conditions; increase the frequency of firearms training by bringing the training facility to the officers; and, increase the ability of instructors to incorporate decision making skills in live-fire training situations.

This grant addresses the Department goals of reducing the violent crime rate and the property crime rate.