

Thursday, April 8, 2010

Police RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 12

Subject: Approve a resolution authorizing the application for \$450,777 in grant funds from the State of Texas, Governor's Office, Criminal Justice Division to reduce crime and improve the criminal justice system by purchasing equipment and related supplies to support the APD Clandestine Lab Response Team and by purchasing a laser scanning system to provide 3-D images of major crime scenes and fatal/serious injury collisions. This project is entitled "Austin Police Department Criminal Justice Program."

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding is available from the State of Texas, Governor's Office, Criminal Justice Division for the grant period September 1, 2010 to September 30, 2011. A match is not required.

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To properly accept the \$450,777 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 grant addresses the Department goal of reducing the violent crime rate.