

Memorandum



DATE: September 7, 2012

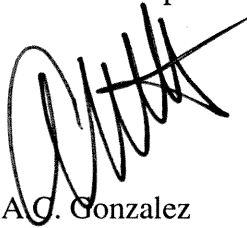
TO: Members of the Public Safety Committee

SUBJECT: Authorize Renewal of an Interlocal Agreement with Southwestern Institute of Forensic Sciences

The City is seeking approval to renew an interlocal agreement with Southwestern Institute of Forensic Science (SWIFS) for analysis of criminal evidence for the period of October 1, 2012 through September 30, 2013 for an amount not to exceed \$3.8M. There has been no change in the cost for forensic services from last fiscal year.

Southwestern Institute of Forensic Sciences at Dallas (SWIFS) provides a broad range of evidence analyses for both the Police and Fire Department. In 1999, the first annual interlocal agreement for these services was approved. SWIFS' services include analyses of drug evidence, DNA analysis and comparison, microscopic (trace) evidence analyses, examination of firearms and tool marks (matching bullets to weapons that fired them), and identification of fire accelerants. These services are vital to the successful investigation and prosecution of crime.

The City is seeking recommendation from the Public Safety Committee to authorize renewal of an interlocal agreement with Southwestern Institute of Forensic Sciences. This item will be placed on the City Council Agenda on September 26, 2012.



A.C. Gonzalez
First Assistant City Manager

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CITY OF DALLAS

DATE: September 7, 2012

TO: Members of the Public Safety Committee

SUBJECT: Acceptance of the Dallas Police Department Comprehensive Selective Traffic Enforcement Program Grant

The Texas Department of Transportation has awarded \$999,996 for the Comprehensive Selective Traffic Enforcement Program (STEP) Grant to the Traffic Section of the Dallas Police Department for FY 2012-13. The grant requires a match of \$282,031 from the City of Dallas for pension and federal insurance contributions and in-kind contributions of \$790,705 for mileage, court time, supervisory oversight and indirect costs. The grant provides for the reimbursement of overtime salaries for officers and supervisors to take enforcement action on specific violations: Driving While Intoxicated, Speeding, Occupant Restraint and Disregarding Traffic Control Devices in the City of Dallas.

The grant funds provided by the Texas Department of Transportation originate with the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration and are intended for the reduction of injury and fatality crashes. The major contributors to fatal crashes are alcohol use, non-use of occupant restraints, speeding and disregarding traffic control devices. The Traffic Section of the Dallas Police Department has utilized grant funding as part of its overall traffic safety plan for many years.

The City is seeking recommendation from the Public Safety Committee to accept the Texas Department of Transportation Comprehensive STEP Grant. This item will be placed on the City Council Agenda on September 12, 2012.

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A. C. Gonzalez
First Assistant City Manager

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TO: Members of the Public Safety Committee


SUBJECT: Authorize Payment to Dallas County Schools for School Crossing Guard Services

The City seeks authorization to pay 90% of monies collected in the Child Safety fund to Dallas County Schools and retain 10% of the Child Safety fund monies collected as an administrative fee to cover the expenses for oversight of the School Crossing Guard Program.

On May 23, 2012, the City Council authorized an interlocal agreement with Dallas County Schools to administer the School Crossing Guard Program. Under Texas Local Government Code, a City with a population of more than 850,000 may contract with one or more school districts to provide school crossing guards.

The Child Safety Fund was established to recover expenses for school crossing guard program first and then other child safety programs with any remaining proceeds. The source of funds includes the Counties authorization to charge a fee up to \$1.50 on vehicle registration. Currently, Collin and Denton County leverage this fee. In addition, a \$5 penalty on criminal violations within school zones is leveraged for this fund.

The City is seeking recommendation from the Public Safety Committee to authorize payment to Dallas County Schools for school crossing guard services. This item will be placed on the City Council Agenda on September 26, 2012.



A.C. Gonzalez
First Assistant City Manager

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CITY OF DALLAS

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TO: Members of the Public Safety Committee

SUBJECT: Acceptance of Tobacco Enforcement Program Grant

The Dallas Police Department has been awarded a Tobacco Enforcement grant from the Texas School Safety Center at Texas State University - San Marcos, to provide the Police Department's vice unit additional resources for the period of September 1, 2012 through August 31, 2013. The grant amount is \$62,400 and no cash match is required.

This grant was created to enforce Subchapter H, Chapter 161, Texas Health and Safety Code, to reduce the extent to which cigarettes and tobacco products are sold and distributed to persons younger than 18 years of age. The grant will provide funding for the overtime salaries of vice personnel who will be conducting controlled buys and stings, and enforcement of minor in possession. Additionally, the grant will fund the payment of confidential informants used in controlled buys and for purchases of tobacco products by these informants.

The City is seeking recommendation from the Public Safety Committee to accept the Tobacco Enforcement Grant. This item will be placed on the City Council Agenda on September 26, 2012.

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A. C. Gonzalez
First Assistant City Manager

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CITY OF DALLAS

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TO: Members of the Public Safety Committee

SUBJECT: Authorize a three-year master agreement for law enforcement badges

The City seeks authorization to initiate a three-year master agreement with Metis, Inc. for \$96,049 to purchase law enforcement badges.

The City has approximately 3,500 sworn officers, deputy marshals, and parking enforcement officers. These badges are issued as part of a sworn officer's standard uniform and denote the officer's rank and unit affiliation. Each officer is issued a uniform breast badge and cap badge; badges are replaced on an as needed basis due to wear, rank status, or damages.

Upon leaving the department before retirement, an officer may purchase the breast badge for the last rank held, provided that the officer had a minimum of 10 years sworn service with the department. Badges are awarded to family members if an officer is killed in the line of duty.

The City is seeking recommendation from the Public Safety Committee to authorize this master agreement for purchase of law enforcement badges. This item will be placed on the City Council Agenda on September 12, 2012.

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A.C. Gonzalez
First Assistant City Manager