

Upcoming Council Agenda Items

Memorandum



CITY OF DALLAS

DATE: October 1, 2010

TO: Members of the Public Safety Committee

SUBJECT: Proposed Memorandum of Understanding with the Texas Military Forces for Support of Law Enforcement Counter Drug Activities

The Dallas Police Department and the Texas Military Forces (the Texas Army National Guard and the Texas Air National Guard) are seeking approval from the Public Safety Committee to place the proposed memorandum of agreement on the agenda for City Council action.

This agreement is for the continued support from Texas Military Forces Counter Drug Task Force personnel to the Dallas Police Department Narcotics Division from October 01, 2010 to September 30, 2011, pursuant to the United States Department of Defense domestic drug interdiction initiative and in accordance with Title 32, United States Code, regarding the role of the National Guard.

Texas Military Forces Counter Drug Task Force personnel will continue to provide dedicated analytical support for investigations, programs, and operations. Counter Drug members will assist all Narcotic Agent/Task Force Officers/Federal Agencies of assignment with intelligence/analytical support (i.e., by collecting, collating, analyzing, and disseminating tactical investigative and strategic drug intelligence).

This support will be provided at no cost to the City of Dallas.

The Police Department seeks support of the Public Safety Committee as the proposed MOU with the Texas Military Forces for Support of Law Enforcement Counter Drug Activities will be referred to the full Dallas City Council for approval on October 13, 2010.

Please feel free to contact me for clarification on any of these documents.

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Ryan S. Evans
First Assistant City Manager

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DATE: October 1, 2010

TO: Members of the Public Safety Committee

SUBJECT: Training Grant for Sexual Assault & Stalking Criminal Investigations
Grant Period September 1, 2010 – August 31, 2011

The Violence Against Women's Act (VAWA), provides federal funding for a variety of projects that positively impact the nation's female population in regards to violent criminal acts being committed against them. These grant funds are administered by the Governor's Criminal Justice Division. The North Texas Council of Governments receives the grant applications and makes recommendations to the Governor's office on who should receive funding. VAWA's goals are to reduce the number of violent acts being committed against females and to better serve them when they are victims. VAWA recognizes that a trained police force would provide a better service to female victims of crime. Therefore, one of their major priorities is to provide training funds to law enforcement personnel.

The Crimes Against Persons Division's Sexual Assault Squad has the responsibility to investigate Sexual Assault and Stalking offenses. The squad investigates approximately 500 offenses per year. Police personnel assigned the responsibility to respond to these types of crimes, investigate these crimes, process these crime scenes for evidence, and to assist the victims regarding their post incident needs must be continually trained. Personnel will attend training on the latest techniques of sexual assault and stalking investigations, methods of assisting victims from the offense date through prosecution, and the latest forensic technology/evidence identification and recovery techniques. Also, first responders (patrol officers), need to be aware of the proper techniques on how to relate to the victims of sexual assault and stalking crimes and be aware of the best practices of protecting the crime scene. This acquired knowledge will assist in preventing the victims from being re-victimized and will enable the recovery of valuable forensic evidence.

It is anticipated that approximately 100 police personnel will receive training from these funds. NCTCOG has recommended to the Governor's Office Criminal Justice Division that the Dallas Police Department be awarded \$26,500 as the granted amount. VAWA requires a 35% city funding match which would be \$14,525. The total grant amount will be \$41,025. It is requested that the members of the Public Safety Committee support the authorization to apply and accept these grant funds when this item is placed on the City Council Agenda on October 13, 2010.

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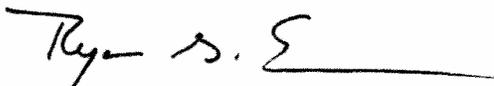
TO: Members of the Public Safety Committee

SUBJECT: Award for Dallas Police Victim Services Grant from Criminal Justice Division

The Dallas Police Department is requesting authorization to accept continuation of the Dallas Police Department Victim Services grant from the Office of the Governor, Criminal Justice Division. The purpose is to provide sufficient services to reach eligible crime victims, for the period of September 1, 2010 through August 31, 2011.

The Police Department was awarded the grant in the amount of \$52,381. This grant requires matching funds in an amount not to exceed \$15,909, or 20% of all expenses. The total grant project cost is \$68,290. This grant will provide tenth-year funding for the salaries, benefits, and training for one full-time victim advocate and two part-time victim advocates to provide crime victim compensation application assistance, follow-up, information and referral, crisis counseling, personal advocacy and court advocacy for victims/family survivors of homicides, sexual assaults, robbery, aggravated assaults, traffic fatalities or injuries due to Failure to Stop and Render Aid and Driving While Intoxicated. The Office of the Governor, Criminal Justice Division specifically requires governing body approval for acceptance of this grant.

The Police Department seeks the support of the Public Safety Committee as the request to accept the Victim Services Grant from Criminal Justice Division will be referred to the full Dallas City Council for approval on October 13, 2010.



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First Assistant City Manager

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TO: Members of the Public Safety Committee

SUBJECT: DPD/IRS Agreement for Equitable Sharing from Asset Seizure and Forfeiture for the North Texas Asset Forfeiture Task Force

This agenda item is to authorize approval for an agreement between the Dallas Police Department (DPD) and the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) for equitable sharing from asset seizure and forfeiture for the North Texas Asset Forfeiture Task Force. This agreement is entered into with the Internal Revenue Service and the Dallas Police Department for the purpose of equitable sharing from asset seizure and forfeiture pursuant to a joint operation/task force, in accordance with the provisions of the Department of Treasury Guide to Equitable Sharing for Foreign Countries and Federal, State, or Local Law Enforcement Agencies. Assets seized in connection with the task force will be forfeited under Federal and/or State laws. All sharing is within the discretionary authority of the Department of the Treasury, 18 U.S.C. 981(e) (2), and the Secretary of the Treasury's Guidelines on seized and forfeited property.

The Agreement authorizes a 20/80 percent split of equitable sharing. The Treasury Forfeiture Fund will retain at least 20 percent of the net proceeds in all seizure-related investigations, and the remaining 80 percent or less will be allocated between the Dallas Police Department, other participating departments, and the Internal Revenue Service. As part of the agreement, the Dallas Police Department will assign one police officer to the joint operations/task force established as the North Texas Asset Forfeiture Task Force. The mission of the Task Force is to develop and assist with criminal investigations and asset forfeitures of illegal activities in the North Texas area.

The term of this agreement will be October 1, 2010, through September 30, 2013, and must be renewed annually if deemed appropriate.

The Police Department seeks support of the Public Safety Committee as the DPD/IRS Agreement for Equitable Sharing from Asset Seizure and Forfeiture for the North Texas Asset Forfeiture Task Force will be referred to the full Dallas City Council for approval on October 13, 2010.

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Ryan S. Evans
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