

# Upcoming Council Agenda Item

# Memorandum



CITY OF DALLAS

DATE: December 3, 2010

TO: Members of the Public Safety Committee

SUBJECT: Dallas Police Department Impaired Driving Mobilization (IDM) Grant

The Texas Department of Transportation has once again been awarded the Impaired Driving Mobilization (IDM) Grant to the Traffic Section of the Dallas Police Department. The amount awarded is \$99,984 for fiscal year 2010-11. The grant provides for the reimbursement of overtime salaries for officers and supervisors to take increased enforcement action on Driving While Intoxicated laws. The grant requires a match of at least 25% from the City of Dallas, \$33,329 (25% of the total \$133,313). This match will be composed of \$27,496 in Pension contributions and Indirect Costs of \$5,833 (total \$33,329).

The IDM grant is part of the national traffic safety plan from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. These funds allow for the increased enforcement of DWI laws during specific date spans throughout the year. The target dates for FY 2011 are: December 21, 2010-January 1, 2011, March 12-20, 2011, June 27-July 6, 2011 and August 19-September 5, 2011. These enforcement actions are intended to reduce injury and fatality crashes. Alcohol is a major contributor to 54% of all fatality crashes in Dallas. The Traffic Section of the Dallas Police Department has utilized grant funding as part of its overall traffic safety plan for many years. Traffic fatalities decreased dramatically last year by 26%, and are up slightly in 2010 (4%).

The Traffic Section reviews the targeted sites for enforcement annually to ensure that officers are deployed in an effective manner. This is to be presented to the City Council on December 8, 2010.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ryan S. Evans'.

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First Assistant City Manager