

City Council Report

Date: April 21, 2014

To: City Council

Through: John Pombier, Deputy City Manager

From: Frank L. Milstead, Police Chief

Mike Dvorak, Deputy Chief

Subject: Highway Safety Contract with the Governor's Office of Highway Safety

Contract Number 2014A-PT-085 (Citywide)

Strategic Initiatives



Purpose and Recommendation

The City of Mesa Police Department is respectfully requesting that the Mesa City Council authorize the City Manager or his designee to accept federal funding in the amount of \$62,500 to purchase equipment for the Police Department's Traffic Enforcement Section to enhance the Selective Traffic Enforcement Program throughout the City of Mesa. These funds are made available from the Governor's Office of Highway Safety through a Highway Safety Contract.

Background

The Mesa Police Department is committed to traffic safety, crime prevention and the protection of all citizens who live and drive in our community. The Traffic Section focuses on occupant protection, speed and impaired driving. Through enforcement, education and public awareness, the Traffic Section will reduce the incidence of traffic fatalities and injuries resulting from, speed, aggressive driving, red light running and risky driving behaviors.

Discussion

This grant will enable the Traffic Section to utilize experienced traffic officers to enforce the laws as they pertain to traffic safety in areas statistically supported as being high in collisions and crime.

This grant provides \$62,500 for:

- Speed Measuring Devices \$22,000
- Motorcycle Helmets \$10,000
- Helibar Motorcycle Handlebars \$18,000
- Directional Speed Radar Trailer \$12,500

Alternatives

If this contract is declined, the Mesa Police Department will be limited in providing citizens with effective Selective Traffic Enforcement throughout the City of Mesa.

Fiscal Impact

The award amount is \$62,500 and no match is required. Mesa Police Department personnel will be responsible for submitting invoices to the Governor's Office of Highway Safety. The Governor's Office of Highway Safety will remit monies due upon receipt of the invoices.

Coordinated With

The City of Mesa Police Department recommends the approval of the Highway Safety Contract with the Governor's Office of Highway Safety.