



City Council Report

Date: October 6, 2014
To: City Council
Through: John Pombier, Deputy City Manger
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Subject: Highway Safety Contract with the Governor's Office of Highway Safety
Contract Number 2015-PT-023 for Selective Traffic Enforcement
Citywide

Strategic Initiatives



Purpose and Recommendation

The City of Mesa Police Department is respectfully requesting the Mesa City Council authorize the City Manager or his designee to enter into a Highway Safety Contract with the Governor's Office of Highway Safety to accept \$70,000 for overtime and employee related expenses for the Police Department's Traffic Section for Selective Traffic Enforcement throughout the City of Mesa.

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 Selective Traffic Enforcement Program goal is to reduce the incidence of traffic fatalities and injuries resulting from speeding, aggressive driving, red light running and other forms of risky driving behavior through enforcement, education and public awareness.

Discussion

This contract will enable the Department to utilize highly experienced traffic officers to enforce the laws as they pertain to traffic safety in areas statistically supported as being high in collisions and crime. Through this program the Police Department seeks to:

- Increase enforcement time in high risk areas.
- Increase awareness through command level briefings.
- Publish a monthly traffic tip to officers regarding challenges.

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 \$70,000 for salaries and employee related expenses. Mesa Police Department personnel will be responsible for submitting invoices on a quarterly basis 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 for Selective Traffic Enforcement.