



City Council Report

Date: May 6, 2019
To: City Council
Through: John Pombier, Assistant City Manger
From: Ramon Batista, Police Chief
Chris Rash, Acting Commander
Subject: Subrecipient Agreement with the Arizona Department of Homeland Security, Police Department Portable Vehicle Barricades (Citywide)

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 Subrecipient Agreement with the Arizona Department of Homeland Security to accept \$49,590 in grant funds to purchase portable vehicle barricades and trailers for the Police Department's Programs and Events Division.

Background

This project is a recommendation of the East Valley Special Events Committee aimed toward strengthening the perimeter surrounding special events in the East Valley. The committee consists of members from 11 agencies and cities within the Valley. The committee recognizes there has been an increase in violence and terrorist attacks nationwide and have identified the need to create stand-off zones at special events. The key to creating stand-off zones are physical barriers that prevent a vehicle from reaching the public attending any given event.

Discussion

This project provides funds to purchase 12 portable vehicle barricades and 2 transportation trailers for deployment throughout the East Valley. This equipment will be used at gatherings, sporting events, parades, celebrations and political events. The equipment will also be available to neighboring communities to provide protection to citizens attending any public event.

Alternatives

If the Subrecipient Agreement is not approved, the funding will remain with the State to be distributed to other Valley agencies.

Fiscal Impact

The award amount is \$49,590 and no match is required. Mesa Police Department personnel will be responsible for submitting invoices on a quarterly basis to the Arizona Department of Homeland Security. The Arizona Department of Homeland Security will remit monies due upon receipt of the invoices.

Coordinated With

The City of Mesa Police Department recommends the approval of the Subrecipient Agreement with Arizona Department of Homeland Security.