



City Council Report

Date: November 2, 2020
To: City Council
Through: John Pombier, Assistant City Manager
From: Ken Cost, Police Chief
Robert Rash, Commander
Subject: Subrecipient Agreement with the Arizona Department of Homeland Security, Equipment Purchase (Citywide)

Purpose and Recommendation

The City of Mesa Police Department is respectfully requesting the Mesa City Council approve and authorize the City Manager or designee to enter into a Subrecipient Agreement with the Arizona Department of Homeland Security to accept \$103,310 in grant funds to purchase equipment for the Police Department's Special Operations Division.

Background

This grant award will enhance the protection of soft targets and crowded venues. The Police Department uses enhanced equipment to evaluate situations and mobilize staff in a timely manner. Police personnel use technology in support of situations such as protests, demonstrations, marathons, sporting events and dignitary visits.

Discussion

Funding for this project will be used to enhance equipment that can be used during high profile events. Information obtained during these events can be provided to a command center to efficiently and effectively disseminate personnel, data and materials.

Alternatives

If this Subrecipient Agreement is not approved, the funding will remain with the State to be distributed to other Valley agencies. The Mesa Police Department will not procure the additional equipment.

Fiscal Impact

The award amount is \$103,310 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 to purchase equipment for the Police Department's Special Operations Division.