



City of Denton

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AGENDA INFORMATION SHEET

DEPARTMENT: Finance

ACM: Cassey Ogden

DATE: March 21, 2023

SUBJECT

Consider approval of a resolution of the City of Denton ratifying the submission of an application to the State of Texas, Office of the Governor, 2023 State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) grant program funded through the US Department of Homeland Security in the amount of \$100,000 for a chemical detector; and providing an effective date.

BACKGROUND

The SHSP grant is appropriated by the Department of Homeland Security and is designed to enhance the ability of local governments to prevent, protect against, respond to, and recover from terrorist attacks and other disasters. The Office of the Governor (OOG) allocates funding to the State's designated Council of Government regions. As a member of the North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) and the Regional Emergency Preparedness Advisory Committee, the City of Denton participates in the grant program.

NCTCOG determines project priority based on the program's initiative for the funding year. Program initiatives for 2023 include supporting state and local efforts to prevent terrorism and targeted violence and prepare for the threats and hazards that pose the greatest risk to the security of Texas citizens. The City was notified of additional funds allocated to the Denton Fire Department's Explosive Ordinance Disposal (EOD) Team, commonly referred to as the Bomb Squad. The team is part of a multi-jurisdictional regional response in North Texas. The proposal to purchase a handheld chemical detector is consistent with the Threat and Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment, the State Preparedness Report, and the Texas Homeland Security Strategic Implementation Plan. The Office of the Governor (OOG) requires a resolution to be passed by any jurisdiction receiving grant funds.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends approval.

FISCAL INFORMATION

The total grant award for this project is \$100,000 and requires no local match.

EXHIBITS

Exhibit 1 Agenda Information Sheet

Exhibit 2 Resolution

Respectfully submitted:
Laura Behrens
Grant Administrator