

WASHOE COUNTY

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STAFF REPORT BOARD MEETING DATE: September 8, 2020

DATE: Friday, September 04, 2020

TO: Board of County Commissioners

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THROUGH: Darin Balaam, Sheriff

SUBJECT: Recommendation to accept the 2020 High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas

(HIDTA) License Plate Readers (LPR) funding [amount not to exceed \$75,000.00, no County match required] and Sole Source Purchase of 2 LPR trailers to be utilized by the HIDTA Task force as administered through Las Vegas Metro Police Department, for the retroactive grant period of August 3, 2020 – December 31, 2021, and direct Comptroller's Office to make the

necessary budget amendments. (All Commission Districts.)

SUMMARY

This funding is received from the United States Office of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP) and awarded to the Las Vegas Metro Police Department and made available to agencies across the State. These funds will be used to purchase two LPR trailers that provide portable traffic calming/monitoring and speed limit enforcement in one self-contained unit. These LPR trailers will be utilized by the Washoe County Sheriff's Office in the Northern Nevada Drug Task Force as part of the Nevada High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) Task Force. The mission of the HIDTA program is to disrupt the market for illegal drugs in the United States by assisting federal, state and local law enforcement entities participating in the HIDTA program to dismantle and disrupt drug trafficking organizations.

Washoe County Strategic Objective supported by this item: Safe, secure and healthy communities.

PREVIOUS ACTION

On August 27, 2019, the Board approved the 2018 High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas (HIDTA) License Plate Readers (LPR) funding.

BACKGROUND

The mission of the HIDTA program is to disrupt the market for illegal drugs in the United States by assisting federal, state and local law enforcement entities participating in the HIDTA program in the dismantling and disruption of drug trafficking organizations. Washoe County became part of Northern Nevada HIDTA Task Force in the fall of 2006, when the Board formally approved the Washoe County Sheriff's participation by way of interlocal agreement on November 13, 2006.

Las Vegas Metro Police Department acts as the fiscal agent and administers the State of Nevada HIDTA grant award. This funding of \$75,000.00 will be used to purchase two LPR trailers to be utilized by the Washoe County Sheriff's Office in the Northern Nevada Drug Task Force as part of the Nevada High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) Task Force. Reason for retroactive submittal: Item was submitted to the first available BCC meeting once documents were received.

GRANT AWARD SUMMARY

Project/Program Name: High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas (HIDTA) Program

Scope of the Project: The mission of the HIDTA program is to disrupt the market for illegal drugs in the United States by assisting federal, state and local law enforcement entities participating in the HIDTA program to dismantle and disrupt drug trafficking organizations.

Benefit to Washoe County Residents: *Increase safety and security of the community.*

On-Going Program Support: Washoe County Sheriff's Office will continue dedicating deputies to the HIDTA task force.

Award Amount: \$75,000.00

Grant Period: 8/3/2020-12/31/21

Funding Source: United States Office of National Drug Control Policy

(ONDCP)

Pass Through Entity: Las Vegas Metro PD

CFDA Number: *95.001*

Grant ID Number: *G20NV0001A – Task Force*

Match Amount and Type: *None*

Sub-Awards and Contracts: *Sole-source documentation is attached.*

FISCAL IMPACT

Should the Board accept this award and approve these amendments, the adopted FY21 budget will be increased by \$75,000.00 in both revenues and expenditures in the following accounts:

Cost Object & Description	G/L Account & Description	Amount
IO-19101 HIDTA LPR	431100-HIDTA LPR-Federal Grants	\$75,000.00
IO-19101 HIDTA LPR	781004-HIDTA LPR-Equipment Capital	\$75,000.00

There is no cash match required for this grant funding. This is reimbursement based funding.

- No match required
- Funds will be drawn as a reimbursement
 - o General funds are source of the upfront cash
- No indirect costs

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board of County Commissioners accept the 2020 High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas (HIDTA) License Plate Readers (LPR) funding [amount not to exceed \$75,000.00, no County match required] and Sole Source Purchase of 2 LPR trailers to be utilized by the HIDTA Task force as administered through Las Vegas Metro Police Department, for the retroactive grant period of August 3, 2020 – December 31, 2021, and direct Comptroller's Office to make the necessary budget amendments.

POSSIBLE MOTION

Should the Board agree with staff's recommendation, a possible motion would be: "Move to accept the 2020 High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas (HIDTA) License Plate Readers (LPR) funding [amount not to exceed \$75,000.00, no County match required] and Sole Source Purchase of 2 LPR trailers to be utilized by the HIDTA Task force as administered through Las Vegas Metro Police Department, for the retroactive grant period of August 3, 2020 – December 31, 2021, and direct Comptroller's Office to make the necessary budget amendments."