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Consider a memorandum/resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into an agreement with the Texas Department of Transportation for reimbursable STEP grant funds.

AGENDA ITEM

TXDOT Selective Traffic Enforcement Grant (STEP)

ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT

Police Department

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The City of Killeen Police Department has applied for and received grant funds from the Texas Department of Transportation to conduct selective traffic enforcement activities on an overtime basis in previous years. This year TXDOT has authorized the City of Killeen a grant for the purpose of conducting a combined enforcement program that targets driving while intoxicated, speeding, intersection traffic control and distracted driving. If accepted, the City of Killeen is obligated to provide matching funds in the amount of $36,803.88. TXDOT will reimburse $117,291 to meet the total award amount of $154,094.88.

DISCUSSION/CONCLUSION

Officers working this detail will not respond to routine calls for service and will concentrate their activities on focused enforcement of speed, DWI, intersection traffic control and distracted driving violations. The overall objective of this program is to increase awareness in each of these identified areas and reduce violations.

FISCAL IMPACT

If the entire amount of the grant is used, approximately $20,153.88 in local matching funds will be required to pay salary costs and fringe benefits not covered by the grant. An estimated $16,650 in matching funds will be required for mileage cost for vehicle operations. These funds will be drawn from the department's operational funding for salaries/benefits and vehicle supplies.

RECOMMENDATION

The staff recommends that the Council approves this resolution and authorizes the City Manager to sign an agreement with TXDOT on behalf of the City of Killeen for receipt of up to $117,291 in reimbursable STEP grant funding.