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February 20, 2019

To: Sereniah Breland, City Manager Honorable Mayor and City Council Members

From: Jessica Robledo, Chief of Police

Re: Consider for approval a resolution authorizing the City Manager to apply for and accept, if awarded, a Victim of Crime Act Formula Grant award for \$166,265 from the Office of the Governor for the funding of personnel, purchase of equipment and training to enhance the victim services provided within the City of Pflugerville. There is a 20% funding match for this grant from the City. Approval is also requested to authorize the City Manager to sign all necessary documents upon final approval of the City Attorney.

I. <u>Background</u>

- A. The Pflugerville Police Department currently has need for enhancing the support services for victims of crimes within the City.
- B. The current program relies on volunteers. This grant would assist the Department with establishing a proper number of dedicated staff that will focus on victim related services for our citizens.
- C. The equipment will allow staff members to be mobile and provide proactive response to citizen needs.
- D. The training will ensure that staff members are properly trained and able to provide proper support based on current best practices.

II. <u>Current Situation</u>

- A. The Police Department seeks funding assistance from the Victim of Crime Act Formula Grant award for \$166,265 to assist in the acquisition of a critical targeting system to increase the Department's capabilities. This is a two-year grant.
- B. The 20% funding match will be from salary and fringe benefits of the Victim Services Manager who will be overseeing the program.
- C. Deadline for filing the application with the Office of the Governor is February 28, 2019. The resolution will be added upon authorization.
- D. In the fourth quarter of 2019 the City will be notified by the Office of the Governor of the award approval decision.

E. To access the grant funding, City Council must authorize the City Manager to apply for and accept the grant award if received.

V. <u>Recommendation</u>

Approve the resolution authorizing the City Manager to apply for and accept, if awarded, the Victim of Crime Act Formula Grant award for \$166,265.

VI. Fiscal Impact Report

Jessica Robledo, Chief of Police
Office of the Governor, State of Texas,
Victim of Crime Act Formula Grant,
\$166,265
\$ 41,567
\$207,832
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