

City of Pensacola

Memorandum

File #: 2019-68 City Council 12/12/2019

LEGISLATIVE ACTION ITEM

SPONSOR: Grover C. Robinson, IV, Mayor

SUBJECT:

SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET RESOLUTION NO. 2019-68 FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (FDOT) SUBGRANT FOR HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY FUNDS

RECOMMENDATION:

That City Council adopt Supplemental Budget Resolution No. 2019-68.

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND MAKING REVISIONS AND APPRORIATIONS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2020; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

HEARING REQUIRED: No Hearing Required

SUMMARY:

The Pensacola Police Department has been combating impaired drivers for the past several years with the help of the FDOT grants. To continue making progress, lower high traffic incident statistics, and make the roadways safer the Pensacola Police Department will utilize the grant funds to initiate a full-time DUI Unit assigned to the Traffic Section. The grant will allow the Pensacola Police Department to educate and certify more patrol officers in the Standardized Field Sobriety Testing (SFST) and National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) 24-hour curriculum during this grant period. Additionally, the Pensacola Police Department will utilize these funds to proactively enforce open container violations during this grant period. The Pensacola Police Department will work in conjunction with the DUI Units of the surrounding agencies to target impaired driving by using high visibility saturation patrols, and publicized sobriety checkpoints. The Pensacola Police Department's DUI Unit and patrol officers will attempt to locate impaired drivers by conducting general traffic enforcement. The Pensacola Police Department, in conjunction with NHTSA and FDOT traffic/impaired driving campaigns, will publicly announce enforcement efforts. The grant funds will provide Portable Breath Testing instruments to enforce the zero tolerance laws regarding underage drinking and driving.

In summary, the grant funds will increase education, publicity, and enforcement of impaired driving. Also, this grant will assist with moving forward to create a much-needed DUI Unit.

PRIOR ACTION:

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None

FUNDING:

Budget: \$46,000

Actual: \$30,000 Overtime

7,500 Portable Breath Test Instruments
8,500 Intoxilyzer 8000 Instrument w/Printer

\$46,000

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Adoption of the Supplemental Budget Resolution will appropriate the grant funds.

CITY ATTORNEY REVIEW: Yes

11/12/2019

STAFF CONTACT:

Keith Wilkins, City Administrator Tommi Lyter, Police Chief

ATTACHMENTS:

- 1) Supplemental Budget Resolution No. 2019-68
- 2) Supplemental Budget Explanation No. 2019-68

PRESENTATION: No