



# City of Pensacola

222 West Main Street  
Pensacola, FL 32502

## Memorandum

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**File #:** 18-00404

City Council

12/13/2018

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### **LEGISLATIVE ACTION ITEM**

**SPONSOR:** Grover C. Robinson, IV, Mayor

**SUBJECT:**

FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (FDOT) SUBGRANT FOR HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY FUNDS

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That City Council accept the FY 2019 Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) Subgrant for Highway Traffic Safety Funds in the amount of \$45,000. Further, that City Council authorize the Mayor to take all actions necessary to accept the grant. Finally, that City Council adopt a supplemental budget resolution appropriating the grant funds.

**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:**

None

**FUNDING:**

Budget: \$45,000

Actual:	\$29,000	Overtime
	6,000	Watchguard Camera System
	<u>10,000</u>	Intoxylizer 8000 Instrument
	<u>\$45,000</u>	

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

The grant will fund: \$29,000 for Overtime and benefits, \$6,000 for a Watchguard Camera System for the Breath Testing Room, \$10,000 for an Intoxylizer 8000 Instrument for breath testing room. Approval of the supplemental budget resolution will appropriate the grant funds.

**CITY ATTORNEY REVIEW: Yes**

11/16/2018

**STAFF CONTACT:**

Christopher L. Holley, City Administrator  
Police Chief Tommi Lyter

**ATTACHMENTS:**

- 1) FDOT Subgrant for Highway Traffic Funds
- 2) Supplemental Budget Resolution
- 3) Supplemental Budget Explanation

**PRESENTATION: No**