

St. Petersburg City Council

Consent Agenda

Meeting of November 2, 2017

TO: The Honorable Darden Rice, Chair, and Members of City Council

SUBJECT: A resolution authorizing the Mayor or his designee to execute a Letter of Agreement and Contract with the University of South Florida ("USF") for pass through of funds from the Florida Department of Transportation ("FDOT") in the amount of \$72,294.00 to fund Police Department overtime costs incurred by High Visibility Enforcement for the Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Campaign; and to execute all documents necessary to effectuate this transaction; approving a supplemental appropriation in the amount of \$72,294.00 from the increase in the unappropriated balance of the General Fund (0001) resulting from these additional revenues to the Police Department, Traffic & Marine (140-1477), High Visibility Enforcement Grant (TBD); and providing an effective date.

EXPLANATION: Statistics show that additional emphasis should be placed on pedestrian and bicycle safety. In 2015, traffic crashes in Florida resulted in 632 pedestrian fatalities, 7,870 pedestrian injuries, 154 bicyclist fatalities and 6,691 bicyclist injuries, nearly double the national average for pedestrians and nearly triple the national average for bicyclists according to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) Traffic Safety Facts. The program effort will utilize law enforcement support in high priority counties throughout the state to educate and enforce safe pedestrian, bicyclist and driver behaviors with the main objective being to reduce traffic crashes and fatalities involving pedestrians and bicyclists through the use of selected traffic education and enforcement operations. This campaign is a component of Florida's Bicycle/Pedestrian Focused Initiative Communication and High Visibility Enforcement Implementation under the direction of the Florida Department of Transportation ("FDOT") and the University of South Florida ("USF").

The High Visibility Enforcement for Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Campaign Grant ("Grant") has been awarded by FDOT to the City of St. Petersburg in the amount of \$72,294.00 for the High Visibility Enforcement for the Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Campaign. The Grant requires no matching funds. 100% of the Grant funds will be allocated to the Police Department for pedestrian and bicycle safety enforcement overtime costs. The Grant is administered by USF.

RECOMMENDATION: The Administration recommends that City Council adopt the attached resolution authorizing the Mayor or his designee to execute a Letter of Agreement and Contract with the University of South Florida ("USF") for pass through of funds from the Florida Department of Transportation ("FDOT") in the amount of \$72,294.00 to fund Police Department overtime costs incurred by High Visibility Enforcement for the Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety

CB-8

Campaign; and to execute all documents necessary to effectuate this transaction; approving a supplemental appropriation in the amount of \$72,294.00 from the increase in the unappropriated balance of the General Fund (0001) resulting from these additional revenues to the Police Department, Traffic & Marine (140-1477), High Visibility Enforcement Grant (TDB); and providing an effective date.

COST/FUNDING INFORMATION: The grant will provide funds through May 31, 2018. A supplemental appropriation in the amount of \$72,294.00 from the increase in the unappropriated balance of the General Fund (0001) resulting from these additional funds, to the Police Department Traffic & Marine (140-1477), High Visibility Enforcement Grant (TBD) is required.

Attachments: Resolution
Grant Agreement

Approvals:

Administration:

Legal: 344356.doc v4

Budget:

Resolution No. 2017_____

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE A LETTER OF AGREEMENT AND CONTRACT WITH THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH FLORIDA ("USF") FOR PASS THROUGH OF FUNDS FROM THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION ("FDOT") IN THE AMOUNT OF \$72,294.00 TO FUND POLICE DEPARTMENT OVERTIME COSTS INCURRED BY HIGH VISIBILITY ENFORCEMENT FOR THE PEDESTRIAN AND BICYCLE SAFETY CAMPAIGN; AND TO EXECUTE ALL DOCUMENTS NECESSARY TO EFFECTUATE THIS TRANSACTION; APPROVING A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$72,294.00 FROM THE INCREASE IN THE UNAPPROPRIATED BALANCE OF THE GENERAL FUND (0001), RESULTING FROM THESE ADDITIONAL REVENUES, TO THE POLICE DEPARTMENT, TRAFFIC & MARINE (140-1477), HIGH VISIBILITY ENFORCEMENT GRANT PROJECT (TBD); AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Florida Department of Transportation ("FDOT") has awarded a pass through grant to the City of St. Petersburg in the amount of \$72,294.00 ("Grant") for the High Visibility Enforcement for Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Campaign ("Campaign"); and

WHEREAS, the Campaign is a component of Florida's Bicycle/Pedestrian Focused Initiative Communication & High Visibility Enforcement Implementation; and

WHEREAS, law enforcement support will be used to educate and enforce safe pedestrian, bicyclist, and driver behaviors in high priority counties throughout the state; and

WHEREAS, the City and the University of South Florida ("USF"), FDOT's contract manager for the Grant, have entered into a Letter of Agreement and Contract ("Contract") to receive the Grant funds, subject to City Council approval; and

WHEREAS, the Contract provides that the Police Department is required to submit monthly reports to USF; and

WHEREAS, 100% of the grant funds will be allocated to the Police Department for pedestrian and bicycle safety enforcement overtime costs; and

WHEREAS, a supplemental appropriation in the amount of \$72,294.00 from the increase in the unappropriated balance of the General Fund (0001) resulting from the grant funds is required.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of St. Petersburg, Florida, that the Mayor or his designee is authorized to execute a Letter of Agreement and Contract with the University of South Florida ("USF") for pass through of funds from the Florida Department of Transportation ("FDOT") in the amount of \$72,294.00 to fund Police Department

overtime costs incurred by High Visibility Enforcement for the Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Enforcement Campaign; and to execute all documents necessary to effectuate this transaction; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that there is hereby approved from the increase in the unappropriated balance of the General Fund (0001), resulting from these additional revenues the following supplemental appropriation for FY18;

General Fund (0001)

Police Department, Traffic & Marine (140-1477),
High Visibility Enforcement Grant (TBD)
\$72,294.00

This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

Approvals:

Legal:

Budget:

Administration:

Legal: 00344357.doc v1