

## COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

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	Agenda Item:	<b>39</b>	Roll Call:	<input type="text"/>
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### AGENDA HEADING:

Approval to accept the 2026 Project Safe Neighborhood grant from the State Office of Drug Control Policy in the amount of \$70,492 to support officer overtime related to violent crime, illegal firearms, and drug trafficking. The award also includes the purchase of minor equipment related to the storage, collection and analysis of crime-related photographic evidence.

### SYNOPSIS:

The Police Department recommends approval to accept the 2026 Project Safe Neighborhood Grant award. The funding will be used to support officer overtime related to violent crime, illegal firearms, and drug trafficking.

### FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$70,492

Funding Source: Special Revenues, Page 218, Adopted Operating Budget, Fiscal Year (FY) 2025 (Funds Deposited)

### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- The Project Safe Neighborhood Grant application proposes funding for officers to work overtime related to violent crime, illegal firearms, and drug enforcement in areas of the city that have been identified as historically having a high number of shootings, drug tracking reports and gang related incidents. Enforcement activities will be initiated after enough evidence-based intelligence is gathered from various sources.
- The awarded funds will also support the purchase of minor equipment used in the storage, collection and analysis of crime related evidence. A photo scanner will enable historic photography film to be converted to a digital image for more effective storage and clearer imaging. The addition of digital cameras and accessories will allow technicians to scan and photograph evidence in confined or difficult spaces with the ability to review instantly if the image captured is clear.

**PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S): NONE**

**BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE**

**ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE**

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