

CITY COUNCIL MEMORANDUM

FROM: The Office of the City Manager **DATE:** December 13, 2021

SUBJECT: Consider Resolution No. 2021-037, Supplemental Grant #2848907

Award in the amount of \$9,995.00 from the Office of the Governor to Increase the North Texas Anti-Gang Center's FY22 Operations

Budget

PRESENTER: Jimmy Perdue, Director of Public Safety

Summary:

The City currently serves as the fiduciary and sponsoring agency for establishment and continuation of the North Texas Anti-Gang Center (TAG Center) in its mission to reduce violent crime and related activities that are perpetrated by gangs. A supplemental award from the Office of the Governor will increase the TAG Center's FY22 operations budget in the amount of \$9,995.00.

General Description:

The Governor's Office has notified the City of a supplemental grant award that will increase the TAG Center's overall budget by \$9,995.00. The funds will be used for the purchase of the SmartForce software module for the new City of Laredo TAG Center, which will then connect all the TAG Centers in Texas in their efforts to manage proactive policing strategies, use-of-force reporting, and other workflows. The investigative units participating in the TAG Centers are the Texas DPS Investigative Unit, the U.S. Homeland Security Investigators Gang Squad, the ATF's Violent Crime Squad and Intelligence Unit, and the FBI's Gang Unit, as well as local municipal and county agencies.

Recommendation:

Approve Resolution No. 2021-037, Supplemental Grant #2848907 Award in the amount of \$9,995.00 from the Office of the Governor to Increase the North Texas Anti-Gang Center's FY22 Operations Budget.