



CITY COUNCIL MEMORANDUM

FROM: The Office of the City Manager **DATE:** October 14, 2024
SUBJECT: Consider Resolution No. 2024-046, Authorizing submission of the application and acceptance of allocated funds, in the amount of \$10,430, if awarded for the Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) FY24 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program – Local Solicitation.

PRESENTER: Mike Young, Chief of Police

SUMMARY:

The Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program is the leading source of federal criminal justice funding to state and local jurisdictions. The JAG Program provides states and units of local governments with critical funding necessary to support a range of program areas including law enforcement. Specifically, the funds from this grant may be used to purchase equipment. The Police Department intends to purchase mobile fingerprint devices with the grant funds. North Richland Hills has been allocated \$10,430.00 with the FY24 grant. There is no match required.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION:

The Police Department proposes to use JAG funds for law enforcement related activities. The Department intends to purchase mobile fingerprint devices.

The devices enable officers to obtain fingerprints while in the field and check them against state and federal databases. Through the use of the device, officers are able to verify someone's identity when the individual does not provide identification, determine if a person has provided a false identity, has a criminal history, or is wanted for a crime. The information received through the device can alert the officer to whether a person with whom they are interacting may pose a danger to the officer.

Vendors and the number of mobile fingerprint devices to be purchased are still in the process of being researched and will be completed before the October 22, 2024 grant submission deadline.

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve Resolution No. 2024-046, Authorizing submission of the application and acceptance of allocated funds if awarded for the Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA)



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