

## CITY COUNCIL MEMORANDUM

**FROM:** The Office of the City Manager    **DATE:** January 12, 2026  
**SUBJECT:** Consider Resolution No. 2026-006, Authorizing submission of the grant application and acceptance of allocated funds if awarded for the Texas Governor's Office FY2027 Rifle-Resistant Body Armor Grant Program, Grant #5699401.  
**PRESENTER:** Jeff Garner, Chief of Police

**SUMMARY:**

The Office of the Governor has announced the FY2027 Rifle-Resistant Body Armor Grant Program, Grant #5699401, made available under the Texas General Appropriations Act, Article I, Rider 25 for Trusteed Programs. The Police Department will use the grant funds if awarded for the purchase of rifle-grade soft armor plates for all sworn officers.

**GENERAL DESCRIPTION:**

The Police Department is seeking authorization to apply for and utilize grant funds offered through the FY2027 Rifle-Resistant Body Armor program. Funding through the program may be used to purchase body armor compliant with the National Institute of Justice (NIJ) standard type III (rifles) or type IV (armor piercing rifle) body armor, including bullet-resistant vests, ballistic plates, and plate carriers. The Police Department will use the grant funds if awarded for the purchase of rifle-grade soft armor plates for all sworn officers. These plates will replace the officer's current rifle-grade hard plates which have reached their expiration date.

The total grant request will not exceed \$200,000 and there is no match requirement. The specified goals, objectives and targets for the project are being developed and will be completed before the February 12, 2026 grant submission deadline.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Approve Resolution No. 2026-006, authorizing submission of the grant application and acceptance of allocated funds if awarded for the Texas Governor's Office FY2027 Rifle-Resistant Body Armor Grant Program, Grant #5699401.