



CITY COUNCIL MEMORANDUM

FROM: The Office of the City Manager **DATE:** April 24, 2023

SUBJECT: Authorize the purchase of ballistic-resistant body armor from GT Distributors, Inc., through BuyBoard Contract #698-23 in the amount of \$53,305.59 using Texas Anti-Gang Center Grant #2848908 funding; and approve Resolution No. 2023-031, authorizing the City Manager to execute a Regional Asset Transfer Addendum with the City of Dallas to transfer equipment purchased by the City of North Richland Hills using TAG Grant #2848908 funds

PRESENTER: Jimmy Perdue, Director of Public Safety

SUMMARY:

The City of North Richland Hills ("NRH") serves as the fiduciary and grant recipient for the FY2023 North Texas Anti-Gang Center ("TAG") Project Grant #2848908. The grant award includes funding for the purchase of bullet-resistant body armor in the amount of \$53,305.59 and the subsequent transfer of ownership and responsibility of the asset to the City of Dallas ("Dallas"), a TAG Constituent Agency.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION:

Ballistic-resistant body armor is one of the most important pieces of safety equipment used by officers. The body armor helps absorb the impact and reduce or stop penetration to the torso from firearm-fired projectiles and fragmentation from explosions. Staff is requesting authorization to purchase ballistic-resistant body armor from GT Distributors in the amount of \$53,305.59 using FY2022/2023 TAG grant 2848908 funding. GT Distributors Inc., has been awarded BuyBoard Purchasing Cooperative Program contract #698-23 for the purchase of ammunition, vehicle equipment, and police equipment and gear. By participating in the BuyBoard program, the City is meeting all state competitive bidding requirements for this purchase.

Upon execution of a Regional Asset Transfer Addendum, NRH will transfer ownership and responsibility of the assets to Dallas. As the receiving jurisdiction, Dallas agrees to maintain compliance with the laws, rules and regulations of the grant, including compliance with all state and federal grant eligibility requirements as outlined in the Addendum.

RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the purchase of ballistic-resistant body armor from GT Distributors, Inc., through BuyBoard Contract #698-23 in the amount of \$53,305.59 using Texas Anti-Gang Center



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