



CITY COUNCIL MEMORANDUM

FROM: The Office of the City Manager **DATE:** June 12, 2017

SUBJECT: Consider Resolution No. 2017-025, 2017 Grant from the Office of the Governor to continue the North Texas Anti-Gang Center

PRESENTER: Jimmy Perdue, Director of Public Safety

SUMMARY:

The City is currently the fiduciary agent for a grant to fund the North Texas Anti-Gang Center (TAG Center). The North Richland Hills Police Department, in cooperation with law enforcement agencies across the area, supports the TAG Center in its mission to reduce violent crime and related activities that are perpetrated by gangs. State grant funding is available through the Governor's Office to continue this project and the funds must again be disbursed to a governmental entity. The Governor's Office has contacted the City of North Richland Hills to continue as the fiduciary for grant.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION:

The investigative units participating in the TAG Center 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. The units will have access to the High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area's regional support center located in North Texas.

State funding for this project must be disbursed to a governmental entity. As such, the Governor's Office contacted the City of North Richland Hills to again serve as the fiduciary for this grant to continue the TAG Center Project. The grant application requests \$1,086,872.60 to continue the program through August 2018. As grantee, the City will coordinate and manage the grant, to include payment and reimbursement of expenditures generated by the North Texas Anti-Gang Center and its contracted on-site project manager and staff. For fiduciary services, the City will receive an amount up to \$64,248.80 as an administrative fee for time and resources dedicated to the grant, representing 10% of Modified Total Direct Costs in the grant application.



Authorization from Council to apply for the original grant from the Office of the Governor was received on October 13, 2014. This grant is a continuation of the program to cover the TAG Center's annual operations budget for FY 17/18.

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve Resolution No. 2017-025.