

CITY COUNCIL MEMORANDUM

FROM: The Office of the City Manager **DATE:** March 8, 2021

SUBJECT: Consider Resolution No. 2021-016, Authorizing submission of the application and acceptance of allocated funds if awarded for the Texas Governor's Office Homeland Security Division FY2022 North Texas Anti-Gang Center, Grant #2848907

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 combat gang violence through the coordination of gang prevention, intervention, and suppression activities. State grant funding is available through the Governor's Office to continue this project and the funds must be disbursed to a governmental entity. The Governor's Office has contacted the City of North Richland Hills to continue as the fiduciary and sponsoring agency for the 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 have access to the High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area's regional support center located in North Texas. The Governor's Office contacted the City of North Richland Hills to serve as the fiduciary and sponsoring agency for this grant. This grant application is a continuation of the program to cover the TAG Center's annual operations budget for FY 2021/2022.

As grantee, the City will coordinate and manage the grant, to include payment and reimbursement of expenditures generated by the TAG Center and its contracted on-site project manager and staff. For fiduciary services, the City will receive (assuming 100% of the grant is approved and expended) a maximum amount of \$52,966.40 as an administrative fee for time and resources dedicated to the grant, representing 10% of Modified Total Direct Costs in the grant application. The grant application requests \$963,435.35 to continue the program through August 2022.

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve Resolution No. 2021-016.