



CITY COUNCIL CONSIDERATION ITEM
CITY OF FAIR OAKS RANCH, TEXAS
January 19, 2023

AGENDA TOPIC: Consideration and possible action accepting grant on behalf of the Fair Oaks Ranch Police Dept. from the Office of the Governor for ballistic shields.

START/END DATE: January 19, 2023

DEPARTMENT: Police Department

PRESENTED BY: John A. Ojeda, Lieutenant

INTRODUCTION/BACKGROUND:

In November 2022, the Office of the Governor disseminated a grant bulletin to all Law Enforcement agencies in Texas advising they had projected funds for bullet-resistant shield grant program for FY2023. These funds were made available in the aftermath of the Robb Elementary shooting. Upon verifying the department's qualification for receiving the grant, police department staff coordinated with procurement and vendors to determine pricing and completed the application before the deadline established by the Governor's office. This Project would allow the Fair Oaks Ranch Police Department to outfit every patrol vehicle with ballistic shields that may be deployed during an emergency and further provide an additional means of protection for both the officers and civilians.

On January 9, 2023, the Fair Oaks Ranch Police Department received notice from the Governor's office that our application had been accepted and the department was awarded \$61,750.00 to purchase ballistic shields for our patrol division.

If accepted by City Council, the Fair Oaks Ranch Police Department will utilize the funds to equip every patrol vehicle with a ballistic shield to provide additional level of safety for our Officers and residents.

POLICY ANALYSIS/BENEFIT(S) TO CITIZENS:

- This grant award will help supplement the department's current budget by allowing the purchase of needed equipment earlier than anticipated and not cause additional expenditures from the general fund.

LONGTERM FINANCIAL & BUDGETARY IMPACT:

- There is no budgetary impact for the costs of the shields and only minimal impact to department's training budget to conduct training for officers on proper use of said equipment.

LEGAL ANALYSIS:

N/A

RECOMMENDATION/PROPOSED MOTION:

I move to approve the City's acceptance of a Grant award to purchase equipment for the Police Department in the amount of \$61,750.00.