AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY City Council

Fort Collins

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SUBJECT

First Reading of Ordinance No. 123, 2025, Making a Supplemental Appropriation of Grant Funds from the Colorado Department of Transportation Highway Safety Office for Police Services High Visibility Impaired Driving Enforcement FY26 Grant Award.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this item is to support Fort Collins Police Services in work performed enforcing Colorado's impaired driving laws for specific enforcement periods outlined by the Colorado Department of Transportation. Enforcement periods typically occur over holidays or periods of increased tourism and travel in the state.

Fort Collins Police Services was awarded \$25,474 through the High Visibility Impaired Driving Enforcement (HVE) grant to support personnel costs and other operating costs directly attributed to HVE grant activities. Police Services will provide enhanced impaired driving enforcement during specific time periods and engage in community education and outreach.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends adoption of the Ordinance on First Reading.

BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION

The Colorado Department of Transportation's Office of Transportation Safety (OTS) provides annual funding for local police enforcement of Colorado's impaired driving laws during specific "high visibility" time periods. This grant is for the period July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2026, and covers overtime pay for Fort Collins Police Officers enforcing Colorado's impaired driving laws through saturation patrols, increased patrols, or dedicated enforcement cars during the selected enforcement periods. This grant also provides funds for community engagement and outreach to educate the public on the dangers, risks, and consequences of impaired driving. The \$25,474 in HVE grant funds supports Fort Collins Police Services enhanced enforcement efforts and presence at several festivals and community engagement events. Fort Collins Police Services has applied for, and been awarded, this grant multiple times in past years.

CITY FINANCIAL IMPACTS

This item appropriates \$25,474 in unanticipated revenue from the HVE program in support of work performed by Fort Collins Police Services to provide enhanced enforcement of Colorado's impaired driving laws and provide community education about the dangers and risks of impaired driving.

This grant is a reimbursement type grant, meaning General Fund expenses will be reimbursed up to \$25,474.

BOARD / COMMISSION / COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

None.

PUBLIC OUTREACH

Public outreach will be conducted to educate the community on impaired driving.

ATTACHMENTS

- 1. HVE FY26 Grant Award Letter
- 2. Ordinance No. 123, 2025