



REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

AGENDA DATE: July 28, 2025

AGENDA ITEM: Consider authorizing the Police Department to enter into a Joint Powers Agreement with the Aitkin-Itasca-Mille Lacs Vehicle Theft Initiative.

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BACKGROUND:

The Police Department has been committed to Aitkin-Itasca-Mille Lacs Violent Crime Enforcement Team (hereinafter called “AIM VCET”) for years. The intent of the collaboration is to better investigate, identify and disrupt illegal drug activity in the communities within the jurisdictions previously mentioned. AIM VCET works toward making our communities safer by combatting drug crimes, assist in investigating drug overdose tragedies and participate in community events / presentations.

AIM VCET recently expanded focus towards also combatting motor vehicle theft and received substantial State support to organize and operate AIM Vehicle Theft Initiative (AIM VTI). The attached JPA establishes an agreement between various partners.

City Attorney has reviewed such JPA and has not identified concern.

REQUESTED COUNCIL ACTION:

Make a motion authorizing the Police Department to enter into a Joint Powers Agreement with the Aitkin-Itasca-Mille Lacs Vehicle Theft Initiative.