

## CITY OF HENDERSONVILLE AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

**SUBMITTER:** Chief Blair Myhand **MEETING DATE:** April 7, 2022

AGENDA SECTION: CONSENT AGENDA DEPARTMENT: Police

2021 Local Law Enforcement Block Grant Offer Acceptance & Sole

**TITLE OF ITEM:** Source Exception Approval – *Blair Myhand, Chief of Police* 

## **SUGGESTED MOTION(S):**

I move that City Council adopt the resolution accepting the 2021 Local Law Enforcement Block Grant Program offer of \$24,500.00 and to approve the sole source purchase of VirTra training de-escalating simulator software and equipment as presented.

**SUMMARY:** The Hendersonville Police Department identified the need to have real-life training scenario platform for de-escalation and use of force training for situations that officers face. The funds from this grant will help to off-set the cost of purchasing this equipment. The overage will be supplemented by asset forfeiture funds and no other city or federal funds will be utilized.

Due to the unique nature of the VirTra software and equipment City staff recommend approval of a sole source exception to purchase from this vendor. A quote for the initial equipment from Virtra is attached.

Once the Notice of Grant Implementation (NOGI) is approved, the City of Hendersonville will enter a contract to purchase the VirTra software and equipment.

This grant is necessary to help the Hendersonville Police Department enhance Officer decision making in use of force situations. VirTra is the only provider of this simulator.

**BUDGET IMPACT:** \$34,087.53 Total Cost; \$24,500 funded through the grant.

The remaining amount of \$9,587.53 owed for VirTra has been submitted for the

capital outlay budget for 2022-2023.

Is this expenditure approved in the current fiscal year budget? Yes

If no, describe how it will be funded.

**ATTACHMENTS:** Resolution, GEMS Application, Notice of Grant Implementation, HPD V100 Cap, Contract, VirTra Sole Source Letter, VirTra Sole Source Request form, V-VICTA High Level Numbers