



CITY OF HOUSTON - CITY COUNCIL

Meeting Date: 9/14/2021

Item Creation Date:

HPD - Houston-Galveston Area Council Tow & Go Program

Agenda Item#: 29.

Background:

The Chief of Police for the Houston Police Department (HPD) recommends that City Council approve an Intergovernmental Agreement between the City of Houston and the Houston-Galveston Area Council (H-GAC) to fund the Tow & Go Program. H-GAC will provide \$4,020,000.00 in grant funding for the grant period October 1, 2021 through May 31, 2023. No matching funds or in-kind contributions from the City of Houston are required.

The Houston-Galveston Area Council Tow & Go Program provides stalled vehicles within the City of Houston's freeways to be towed to a nearby safe location off the freeway at no cost to the motorist. Vehicles can be towed to a nearby storage lot where they will be stored at no cost for up to 48 hours. Storage fees will begin to accrue after 48 hours. In 2005, this program was included as part of the Houston-Galveston Area Council's regional traffic management plan and is now known as the Tow and Go Program.

The Houston Police Department also requests City Council to authorize the Chief of Police or his designee to act as the City's representative in the application process with the authority to apply for, accept and expend the grant funds as awarded, and apply for, accept and expend all subsequent awards, if any, to extend the budget period, and to authorize the Mayor to execute all related agreements with the approval of the City Attorney in connection with the grant not to exceed five years.

Fiscal Note:

No Fiscal Note is required on grant items.

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Amount and Source of Funding:

\$4,020,000.00

Federal/State/Local-Pass Through Fund

Fund 5030

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