



CITY OF HOUSTON - CITY COUNCIL

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HPD FY26 Criminal Justice Division-Northeast & Westside Houston Violent Gang Crime Suppression Grant

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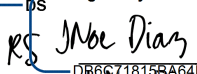
The Chief of Police for the Houston Police Department (HPD) recommends that the City Council approve an ordinance authorizing the electronic application for and acceptance of grant funds through the Office of the Governor for the FY26 Northeast & Westside Houston Violent Gang Crime Suppression Grant. The grant amount is \$150,000.00. No cash match or in-kind contribution required. The project period is from October 1, 2025, to September 30, 2026, for a total of 12 months. This will be HPD's first award under this program.

The purpose of the FY26 Northeast & Westside Houston Violent Gang Crime Grant is to provide funding for overtime and laptop equipment. The Houston Police Department will use the grant funds to track and surveil violent gang offenders. HPD's Northeast Crime Suppression Team, Westside Division Crime Suppression Team (CST), and Differential Response Team (DRT) will focus on preventing and suppressing violent gang crime in their respective areas. The goal of this initiative is to reduce the victimization of citizens and businesses by violent gang offenders.

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

Fiscal Note:

No Fiscal Note is required on grant items.

Signed by:


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Amount and Source of Funding:

\$150,000.00
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Fund 5030

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