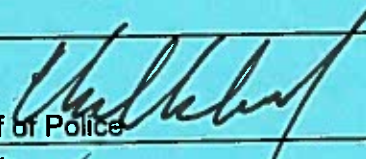
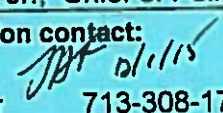


TO: Mayor via City Secretary

REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

<b>SUBJECT:</b> Ordinance approving an Interlocal Agreement in support of the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force Program - Houston Metropolitan Area Grant	<b>Category #</b>	<b>Page</b> 1 of 1	<b>Agenda Item #</b>
<b>FROM:</b> (Department or other point of origin): Houston Police Department	<b>Origination Date</b> December 1, 2015		<b>Agenda Date</b>
<b>DIRECTOR'S SIGNATURE:</b>  Charles A. McClelland, Jr., Chief of Police	<b>Council Districts affected:</b> All		
<b>For additional information contact:</b> Joseph A. Fenninger, CFO & Deputy Director 713-308-1770 	<b>Date and identification of prior authorizing Council Action:</b>		

**RECOMMENDATION:** (Summary) Adopt an ordinance approving an Interlocal Agreement between Fort Bend County and the City of Houston regarding participation in the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force Program - Houston Metropolitan Area Grant.

<b>Amount of Funding:</b> Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force – Houston-Metro, TX – Legislative Funding – Personnel: \$98,475	<b>Finance Budget:</b>
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**SOURCE OF FUNDING:**  General Fund  Grant Fund  Enterprise Fund  Other (Specify)  
Office of the Governor's Criminal Justice Division: \$98,475.

**SPECIFIC EXPLANATION:**

The Houston Police Department (HPD) recommends that City Council approve an Interlocal Agreement between the City of Houston and Fort Bend County. The City of Houston, through HPD, applied for and received the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force - Houston Metropolitan Area Grant in the amount of \$522,128 from the Office of the Governor's Criminal Justice Division. This grant allows HPD to continue to reduce the exploitation of children by expanding the number of affiliate law enforcement agencies and personnel dedicated to investigating and prosecuting Internet-related crimes against children. The grant period begins June 1, 2015 and ends August 31, 2016.

The target geographical area of the grant program is the Houston Metropolitan Area, which includes incorporated as well as unincorporated areas of Harris County, Texas; and all areas of Brazoria, Chambers, Fort Bend, Galveston, Liberty, Montgomery and Waller Counties. As the lead agency, HPD is entering into an Interlocal Agreement with Fort Bend County which will complete the special condition requirement of the grant for this year's funding. Pursuant to the Interlocal Agreement, the City of Houston will use \$98,475 in grant funds to reimburse Fort Bend County for salaries and benefits of its investigator/detective participating in the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force.

REQUIRED AUTHORIZATION

<b>Finance Budget:</b>	<b>Other Authorization:</b>  12/1/15	<b>Other Authorization:</b>
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