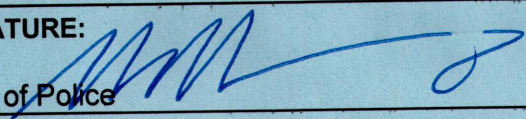


TO: Mayor via City Secretary

REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

<b>SUBJECT:</b> Ordinance approving an Interlocal Agreement in support of the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force Program	<b>Category #</b>	<b>Page</b> 1 of 1	<b>Agenda Item #</b>
<b>FROM: (Department or other point of origin):</b> Houston Police Department	<b>Origination Date</b> September 14, 2017		<b>Agenda Date</b>
<b>DIRECTOR'S SIGNATURE:</b>  Art Acevedo, Chief of Police	<b>Council Districts affected:</b>  All		
<b>For additional information contact:</b> Sheryal Armstrong, Division Manager (713) 308-1752 Clifton Journet, Executive Staff Analyst (713) 308-1779	<b>Date and identification of prior authorizing Council Action:</b>		
<b>RECOMMENDATION: (Summary)</b> Adopt an ordinance approving an Interlocal Agreement between the Conroe Police Department and the City of Houston regarding participation in the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force Program.			
<b>Amount of Funding:</b> \$100,007.00 – Federal Grant – Grant Funds (Fund 5000)		<b>Finance Budget:</b>	
<b>SPECIFIC EXPLANATION:</b> <p>The Houston Police Department (HPD) recommends that City Council approve an Interlocal Agreement between the City of Houston and the Conroe Police Department. The City of Houston, through HPD, applied for and received the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force from the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention. 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 October 1, 2017 and ends September 30, 2018.</p> <p>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 the Conroe Police Department 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 \$100,007.00 in grant funds to reimburse the Conroe Police Department for allowable expenses, including a portion of the salary and benefits of its investigator participating in the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force.</p>			
<b>REQUIRED AUTHORIZATION</b>			
<b>Finance Budget:</b>	<b>Other Authorization:</b>	<b>Other Authorization:</b>	