POLICE DEPARTMENT MEMORANDUM #18-2018

DATE:

December 10, 2018

TO:

Honorable Mayor Carol A. Dodge and City Council Members

THROUGH:

Heather Geyer, City Manager 1

FROM:

James S. May, Jr., Chief of Police

SUBJECT:

CR-160 - Acceptance of the 2018 Department of Justice Bulletproof Vest

Partnership Grant

PURPOSE

The Department of Justice has awarded the Police Department the Bulletproof Vest Partnership and Body Armor Safety Initiative assistance grant in the amount of \$12,495 for bullet proof vests.

BACKGROUND

The Bulletproof Vest Partnership (BVP), created by the Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant Act of 1998, is a unique U.S. Department of Justice initiative designed to provide a critical resource to state and local law enforcement.

Since 1999, the BVP program has awarded more than 13,000 jurisdictions a total of \$430 million in federal funds for the purchase of over one million vests (1,294,837) as of July 2017.

In the BVP Program, "uniquely fitted vests" means protective (ballistic or stab-resistant) armor vests that conform to the individual wearer to provide the best possible fit and coverage, through a combination of: 1) correctly-sized panels and carrier, determined through appropriate measurement, and 2) properly adjusted straps, harnesses, fasteners, flaps, or other adjustable features. The requirement that body armor be "uniquely fitted" does not necessarily require body armor that is individually manufactured based on the measurements of an individual wearer. In support of the Office of Justice Programs' efforts to improve officer safety, the American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM) International has made available the *Standard Practice for Body Armor Wearer Measurement and Fitting of Armor*.

The Northglenn Police Department was awarded \$12,495 for reimbursement for 50% of the purchase costs for NIJ-compliant armored vests ordered between October 3, 2018 through August 31, 2020.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the acceptance of Bulletproof Vest Partnership and Body Armor Safety Initiative Assistance Grant in the amount of \$12,495.

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BUDGET/TIME IMPLICATIONS

The cost of an officer's vest is approximately \$900 and is tailored to that specific officer. The number of vests purchased annually fluctuates due to attrition. Funds to initially cover the expenses for new officer uniforms and equipment are in the Police Department Administration Non-Capital Equipment budget in the amount of \$19,000. There is \$14,000 in the Patrol Non-Capital Equipment budget to purchase officer uniforms and equipment for existing officers whose vests expire after 5 years of use. All receipts associated with this purchase will be managed on the Bulletproof Vest Partnership website.

STAFF REFERENCE

If Council members have any questions, they may contact Chief James S. May Jr., at 303.450.8967 or jmay@northglenn.org.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Application Summary/Approval of BVP Grant Request

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APPLICATION SUMMARY

Date Submitted to BVP: 04/25/18

Approved by BVP **Application Status:**

APPLICATION PROFILE

NORTHGLENN CITY Participant

2018 Fiscal Year

Number of Agencies 0

Applied

Total Number of Officers 60

for Application

Number of Officers on 60 **Approved Applications**

APPLICATION PROFILE

2018 Fiscal Year

Vest Replacement 5 Cycle 1

60

Number 0 Number of

of Stolen Emergency Replacement or

Number of Officers

Needs 0 **Damaged**

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> Number of Officer 8 Turnover

APPLICATION SUMMARY FOR FY 2018 REGULAR SOLICITATION

Applicant	Quantity	Total Cost	Date Submitted	Status
NORTHGLENN CITY	30	\$24,990.00	04/25/18	Approved by BVP View Details
Grand Totals:	30	\$24,990.00		

AWARD SUMMARY FOR FY 2018 REGULAR SOLICITATION

Funds Type	Eligible Amount	Award	Date Approved	Status
Regular Fund	\$24,990.00	\$12,495.00	10/03/18	Approved by BVP
Grand Totals:	\$24,990.00	\$12,495.00		

SPONSORED BY: MAYOR DODGE COUNCILMAN'S RESOLUTION RESOLUTION NO. No._____CR-160 Series of 2018 Series of 2018 A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE BULLETPROOF VEST PARTNERSHIP GRANT AWARD BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTHGLENN, COLORADO, THAT: Section 1. The City Council of the City of Northglenn hereby accepts a grant award from the Department of Justice Bulletproof Vest Partnership in the amount of \$12,495 for the grant application submitted by the Northglenn Police Department for reimbursement of costs for NIJcompliant armored vests. DATED, at Northglenn, Colorado, this ______day of _______, 2018. CAROL A. DODGE Mayor ATTEST: JOHANNA SMALL, CMC City Clerk APPROVED AS TO FORM: COREY Y. HOFFMANN

City Attorney