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CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH

TO: HON. MAYOR, CHAIRPERSON, AND CITY COUNCIL

FROM: NATHAN OSGOOD, CHIEF OF POLICE

SUBJECT: **ACCEPTANCE OF BULLETPROOF VEST PARTNERSHIP GRANT**

DATE: NOVEMBER 18, 2020

CC: GENERAL PUBLIC

Background:

The City of Riviera Beach has been awarded a grant for $15,844.73, from the Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA), U.S. Department of Justice under the Bulletproof Vest Partnership Act. The purpose of the Act is to protect the lives of law enforcement officers by helping states and units of local government equip their law enforcement officers with bulletproof vests.

The City's grant funds will be used to purchase new National Institute of Justice (NIF) compliant bulletproof vests for the City's police officers. The grant requires a 50% cash match, which will be expended from Operating Supplies Line Item Number 10120101-552000. The total project cost can be expended over a two-year grant period, ending August 31, 2022.

The Riviera Beach Police Department applied for this grant in April 2020, and received notification of the Grant Award in the amount of $15,844.73 on October 19, 2020.

City Goals:

The City wide goal is to supply law enforcement officers with the necessary body armor needed to perform their duties safely.

Fiscal/Budget Impact:

Required 50% cash match of $15,844.73.

Recommendation:

Staff recommends that the City Council accepts the Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant funds and authorizes the Director of Finance and Administrative Services to establish a budget for the same.