

CITY OF SEGUIN

To: City Council
From: Kate McCloud, Grants Administrator
Date: December 23, 2024
Subject: Resolution to submit application for the FY2026-2027 Criminal Justice Grant (JAG) program

Historical Background

The Office of the Governor (OOG), Public Safety Office, Criminal Justice Division is currently accepting applications for the FY2026-2027 Criminal Justice Grant (JAG) program. The purpose of this program is to promote public safety, reduce crime, and improve the criminal justice system.

City staff would like to submit an application to this program for a four-wheel drive patrol vehicle to enhance our capabilities to investigate and respond to violent crime, border crime and gang activity in the less accessible areas of our jurisdiction. The estimated cost for this project is \$85,000, there are no matching funds required by the grant. The grant award is capped at \$85,000 by Alamo Area Council of Governments (AACOG), however this vehicle will also require a police radio which cannot be added to the grant as it would cause our application to exceed the maximum award amount. If the City is awarded the grant for the vehicle, the radio would be purchased using Police Department funds. Grant awards are expected to be announced in September of 2026. If the City is awarded this grant, the project will begin in October 2026.

Action Requested

City Council must approve the resolution to authorize the submission of this grant application.

Procurement Methodology & Funding Source

If the grant is awarded, 100% of the funding for the vehicle will be secured through the grant. The Police Department would purchase the radio for the vehicle using PD department funding, outside of the grant.

Procurements will be made according to the City of Seguin Purchasing Policy and the Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards, which is codified in Part 200 of Title 2 of the Code of Federal Regulations.

Staff Recommendation

Staff recommends approval of the resolution to authorize the submission of the grant application.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Resolution authorizing the submission of the grant application