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Date: January 9, 2023

To: Seguin City Council
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From: Kathy I. Wood, Grants Administrator

Subject: Approval to Submit Grant Application over $50,000

The Office of the Governor, Public Safety Office has opened a grant opportunity entitled, 2023 State Homeland Security Program-LEPTA Projects (SHSP-L).

The Police Department will be submitting a grant application for this funding opportunity that closes on February 9, 2023. Funding from this grant, if awarded, would supply equipment to be used in the event of a terroristic event requiring emergency first-responders. The equipment will consist of bullet-proof vests, rifle plates and ballistic helmets for the Fire Department, along with casualty response bags, a utility vehicle, barricades, fencing, and a trailer to allow for rapid movement of this equipment. The purpose of the Homeland Security Program is to provide community resources that enhance our safety and that of other local counties. We envision this grant being shared within a four to five county region. The total equipment amount should not exceed $500,000..

The grant application requires an approved resolution from the City Council that contains the following:

1. Authorization by your governing body for the submission of the application to the Public Safety Office (PSO) that clearly identifies the name of the project for which funding is requested;

2. A commitment to provide all applicable matching funds;

3. A designation of the name and/or title of an authorized official who is given the authority to apply for, accept, reject, alter, or terminate a grant (Note: If a name is provided, you must update the PSO should the official change during the grant period.); and

4. A written assurance that, in the event of loss or misuse of grant funds, the governing body will return all funds to PSO.

Staff requests approval of the resolution to submit with the grant application.