



## Legislation Text

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**File #:** 22-5624, **Version:** 1

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**Department:** County Judge

**Department Head/Elected Official:** County Judge Lina Hidalgo

**Regular or Supplemental RCA:** Supplemental RCA

**Type of Request:** Grant

**Project ID** (if applicable): 4123101

**Vendor/Entity Legal Name** (if applicable): N/A

**MWDBE Contracted Goal** (if applicable): N/A

**MWDBE Current Participation** (if applicable): N/A

**Justification for 0% MWDBE Participation Goal:** N/A - Goal not applicable to request

**Request Summary (Agenda Caption):**

Request by the County Judge for approval to accept an amendment to an agreement with the Texas Office of the Governor/Homeland Security Grants Division to extend the grant end date to November 30, 2022 for the FY 2020 Law Enforcement Special Responses: HCSO Bomb Unit Equipment project.

**Background and Discussion:**

This grant is funded by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security via the Office of the Governor, Homeland Security Grants Division and includes a suite of risk-based grants to assist state, local, tribal and territorial efforts in preventing, protecting against, mitigating, responding to and recovering from acts of terrorism and other threats related to interoperable communications. This grant provides grantees with the resources required for implementation of the National Preparedness System and working toward the National Preparedness Goal of a secure and resilient nation. The County has received funding from this grant program since 2002.

**Expected Impact:**

If accepted, the County will utilize \$277,935 of Urban Area Security Initiative funds for the Harris County Sheriff's Office Law Enforcement Special Responses: HCSO Bomb Unit Equipment award, which will improve the County's ability to upgrade and properly equip HCSO Hazardous Device Technicians to safely respond to and mitigate terroristic incidents or Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear and Explosives events within the region.

**Alternative Options:**

Without this funding the County would need to find alternate funding, possibly utilize general funds, to maintain a robust Homeland Security Program.

**Alignment with Goal(s):**

- Justice and Safety
- Economic Opportunity
- Housing
- Public Health
- Transportation
- Flooding
- Environment
- Governance and Customer Service

**Prior Court Action (if any):**

| Date       | Agenda Item # | Action Taken              |
|------------|---------------|---------------------------|
| 10/28/2020 | 268           | Approval to Accept Awards |

**Location:**

Address (if applicable): N/A

Precinct(s): Countywide

| <b>Fiscal and Personnel Summary</b>  |                                |              |                   |
|--|--------------------------------|--------------|-------------------|
| Service Name   | Harris County Sheriff's Office |              |                   |
|  | <b>SFY 22</b>                  | <b>FY 23</b> | <b>Next 3 FYs</b> |
| <b>Incremental Expenditures (do NOT write values in thousands or millions)</b> |                                |              |                   |
| Labor Expenditures   | \$                             | \$           | \$                |
| Non-Labor Expenditures   | \$                             | \$           | \$                |
| <b>Total Incremental Expenditures</b>  | \$                             | \$           | \$                |
| <b>Funding Sources (do NOT write values in thousands or millions)</b>          |                                |              |                   |
| Existing Budget  |                                |              |                   |
| Grant Urban Area Security Initiative   | \$                             | \$           | \$                |
| Choose an item.  | \$                             | \$           | \$                |
| Choose an item.  | \$                             | \$           | \$                |
| <b>Total Current Budget</b>  | \$                             | \$           | \$                |
| Additional Budget Requested  |                                |              |                   |
| Choose an item.  | \$                             | \$           | \$                |
| Choose an item.  | \$                             | \$           | \$                |
| Choose an item.  | \$                             | \$           | \$                |
| <b>Total Additional Budget Requested</b>                                       | \$                             | \$           | \$                |
| <b>Total Funding Sources</b>   | \$                             | \$           | \$                |
| <b>Personnel (Fill out section only if requesting new PCNs)</b>                |                                |              |                   |

|                                    |   |   |   |
|------------------------------------|---|---|---|
| Current Position Count for Service | - | - | - |
| Additional Positions Requested     | - | - | - |
| <b>Total Personnel</b>             | - | - | - |

**Anticipated Court Date:** September 13, 2022

**Anticipated Implementation Date (if different from Court date):**

**Emergency/Disaster Recovery Note:** Not an emergency, disaster, or COVID-19 related item

**Contact(s) name, title, department:** Andrea Thomas, Homeland Security Grant Program Deputy Director,  
County Judge's Office

**Attachments (if applicable):** Order, Resolution