

City of Keller

Legislation Text

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To: Mark Hafner, City Manager

From: Mike Wilson, Chief of Police

Subject:

Consider a resolution approving the submittal of a grant application to the Office of the Governor, Public Safety Office, Criminal Justice Division for funding under the Texas Conversion to the National Incident-Based Reporting System (NIBRS) Program, FY 2019-20.

Background:

The Office of the Governor Criminal Justice Division works to provide needed funding to improve public safety and support victims of crime. The FBI is transitioning from the Summary Reporting System (SRS) collection of the Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program to focus on the rich detail that data collected through NIBRS offers. The FBI is moving to a NIBRS-only UCR data collection at the recommendation of the Criminal Justice Information Services (CJIS) Advisory Policy Board. The FBI UCR Program will transition to NIBRS only data by January 1, 2021. In response, the Texas Department of Public Safety has established a goal set by the Texas Legislature for all local law enforcement agencies to implement and report crime statistics by using the requirements of the National Incident-Based Reporting System (NIBRS) no later than September 1, 2019.

The Police Department's Computer-Aided Dispatch and Records Management Systems (CAD/RMS) vendor, Criminal Research, Information Management and Evaluation System (CRIMES), has failed to deliver on a NIBRS compliant system first guaranteed in calendar year 2017. Due to the pending state and national deadline, we believe that to wait any longer on a CRIMES NIBRS compliant solution would put the City of Keller at risk of losing existing grant funding or compromise future grant applications. As a result, we are requesting approval to finalize the submission for grant funding from the Office of the Governor, Criminal Justice Division for the Texas Conversion to the National Incident -Based Reporting System (NIBRS) Program, for FY 2019-20.

Financial Impact:

This is a non-matching grant. The amount requested through this submission would be \$1,200,000 with no match required. Recipients must spend the funds after September 1, 2019 and the project may not exceed a period of 12 months.

Alternatives:

City Council has the following alternatives:

- Approve as submitted
- Approve with changes
- Denial