

## MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** September 19<sup>th</sup>, 2022  
**TO:** Mercy Rushing, City Manager  
**FROM:** Captain Dusty Cook, Mineola Police Department  
**SUBJECT:** Consider action on a resolution to approve grant funding

### **Background Information:**

Due to active attacks in public places, more especially regarding the recent events that took place during the active attack at Rob Elementary School in Uvalde Texas, the Governor's Office is releasing grant funding to supply ballistic shields to all Law Enforcement agencies in the State of Texas. This grant will be 100% funded and involves zero matching from the City of Mineola.

### **Recommendation:**

Due to the uncertainty of these type events, the police department would like to ask for 10 ballistic shields with a total value of \$64,000.00. Currently the police department has two ballistic shields that are over 20 years old and are needing replacement.

Ballistic Shields are very costly and if approved for this grant it will allow us to have new ballistic shields in 10 of our mobile patrol units and available at all times. As we know it is never known when and where an active attack could occur. Placing shields in our patrol units will allow them to be available if needed at any time and place we respond. The shield will aid in creating a safer environment for our officers as well as providing a more timely response to those situations. I recommend that the Mayor and City Council take this into consideration and approve the resolution to accept grant funding for these shields.

Professionally,

Capt. Dusty Cook

Mineola Police Department



## RESOLUTION 22-09-19

**WHEREAS**, The City of Mineola finds it in the best interest of the citizens of Mineola, that the Safety Response to Active Attack Events Bullet Resistent Shield Grant Program be operated for 2023; and

**WHEREAS**, The City of Mineola agrees to provide **NO MATCH** for the said project as required by the Safety Response to Active Attack Events Bullet Resistent Shield Grant Program application; and

**WHEREAS**, The City of Mineola agrees that in the event of loss or misuse of the Office of the Governor funds, the City of Mineola assures that the funds will be returned to the Office of the Governor in full.

**WHEREAS**, the City of Mineola designates Jayne Lankford, Mayor, as the grantee's authorized official. The authorized official is given the power to apply for, accept, reject, alter or terminate the grant on behalf of the applicant agency.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the City of Mineola approves submission of the grant application for the Safety Response to Active Attack Events Bullet Resistent Shield Grant program to the Office of the Governor.

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Jayne Lankford, Mayor

Attest:

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Cindy Karch, City Secretary

Grant Number: 4638301