

Memorandum

To: Honorable Mayor Shetter and members of the Burleson City Council

From: Tom Cowan, Chief of Police

Date: July 06, 2009

Subject: Resolution R-1158-09 (A0709), amending the Resolution R-1158-09 to designate the City Manager of the City of Burleson, Texas as the grantee's authorized official.

Council Action Requested:

Amend Resolution R-1158-09 (A0709) to reflect that the authorized official for the grant is the City Manger, who is granted the authority to apply for, accept, reject, alter or terminate the grant.

Background Information:

On June 15, 2009, City Council approved Resolution R-1158-09 relative to the Justice Assessment Grant (JAG). The resolution designated the Police Chief as the city's authorized official. The Office of the Governor, Criminal Justice Division has requested the authorized official be changed to the City Manager. The amended resolution reflects this change. No other changes to the resolution are proposed.

The North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) coordinates the grant application review and priority setting for a variety of grants provided by the Governor's Office Criminal Justice Division (CJD). The Criminal Justice Division (CJD) of the Governor's Office is soliciting applications for ARRA Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) projects that reduce crime and improve the efficiency and effectiveness of the criminal justice system. JAG funds may be used for state and local initiatives, technical assistance, training, personnel, equipment supplies, contractual support, and information systems for criminal justice.

The goal of the project is to ensure the safety of all citizens and visitors to the City of Burleson by enhancing the operational flexibility, visibility and efficiency of the Burleson

Police Department by purchasing a surveillance tower. The tower comes mounted on its own trailer and can be towed to site locations by existing vehicles. The tower will most often be manned by COPS volunteers, occasionally by CRO's, and by other officers, thus will require no additional personnel or overtime. The project director is Tom Cowan, Chief of Police. The City Manager, Curtis E. Hawk, is the authorized official who is granted the authority to apply for, accept, reject, alter, or terminate the grant. In the event of loss or misuse of grant funds, the governing body will return all funds to CJD. There are no matching funds required.

Board/Citizen Input:

N/A

Financial Considerations:

The project will not require any additional funding or matching funds from the City.

Attachments:

Resolution R-1158-09 (A0709)

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RESOLUTION R-1158-09 (A0709)

**City of Burleson Texas
Burleson Police Department
JAG surveillance tower**

WHEREAS, The City Council of Burleson, Texas finds it in the best interest of the citizen of Burleson, Texas that the JAG surveillance tower be operated for 2009-2010; and

WHEREAS, The City Council of Burleson, Texas agrees that in the event of loss or misuse of the Criminal Justice Division funds, the City Council of Burleson, Texas assures that the funds will be returned to the Criminal Justice Division in full.

WHEREAS, The City Council of Burleson, Texas designates the City Manager of the City of Burleson, Texas 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 Council of Burleson, Texas approves submission of the grant application for the JAG surveillance tower to the Office of the Governor, Criminal Justice Division.

Passed and Approved this _____ of _____, 2009

Ken Shetter, Mayor

Attest:

Amanda McCrory, City Secretary

Grant Application Confirmation Number: 2256701