

Legislation Text

File #: BILL NO. 18-93, **Version:** 1

An ordinance authorizing the execution of a Memorandum of Understanding between The Kansas Bureau of Investigation and the City of Lee's Summit, Missouri for the use of Midwest High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area award funds. (F&BC 6-4-18)

Issue/Request:

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Key Issues:

The Office of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP) has awarded 2017 High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) funding to federal, state and local law enforcement agencies in the region comprised of the states of Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska, Iowa, South Dakota and North Dakota for the purpose of combating the manufacture and importation of methamphetamine and the disruption of poly-drug trafficking organizations. The Kansas Bureau of Investigation (KBI) has been designated as the fiscal agent for award proceeds to be distributed to state and local agencies participating in the Midwest HIDTA program within the region. The City of Lee's Summit, Missouri is a local recipient of Midwest HIDTA award and agrees to designate one Lee's Summit Police Department (LSPD) Officer to the Kansas City/Overland Park DEA Task Force (GP43).

This agreement will authorize the Mayor of the City of Lee's Summit to enter into a memorandum of understanding whereby a Lee' Summit, Missouri Police Officer will be assigned to work on a special task force known as the HIDTA Task Force Group (KC) (GP 43). The mission of HTFG 43 is to disrupt the illicit drug traffic in the Kansas City area by immobilizing targeted violators and trafficking organizations, gather and report intelligence data relating to trafficking in narcotics and dangerous drugs; and conducting undercover operations where appropriate and engage in other traditional methods of investigation in order that the task force's activities will result in effective prosecution before the courts of the United States and the States of Kansas and Missouri. By partnering with the Drug Enforcement Administration it will provide a force multiplier and assist our department with combating and investigating local cases of controlled substances distribution, manufacturing, and abuse. This officer was selected from the current authorized manning and backfilled with a new hire. Full funding from the United States Department of Justice, Drug Enforcement Administration is included with this agreement in the amount of \$70,909.00 in award funds as approved by the ONDCP. This is an annual renewal with the same MOU language and the same financial award amount.

Proposed City Council Motion:

FIRST MOTION: I move for a second reading of An ordinance authorizing the execution of a Memorandum of Understanding between The Kansas Bureau of Investigation and the City of Lee's Summit, Missouri for the use

of Midwest High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area award funds.

SECOND MOTION: I move for adoption of An ordinance authorizing the execution of a Memorandum of Understanding between The Kansas Bureau of Investigation and the City of Lee's Summit, Missouri for the use of Midwest High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area award funds.

Background:

The original agreement and MOU was established in 2017. This is the first of what will be an annual renewal of the MOU between the Kansas Bureau of Investigation and the City of Lee's Summit, Missouri.

Impact/Analysis:

This partnership will provide necessary support to the LSPD officer assigned to the task force including salary, vehicles, fuel, mobile phone, office space and supplies, travel funds, funds for the purchase of evidence and information, investigative equipment, training and overtime during the term of this agreement.

The LSPD will be able to force multiply with the DEA in combating locally the trafficking of controlled substances.

Timeline:

Start: January 1, 2017

Finish: December 31, 2018

Major Curt Mansell, Lee's Summit Police Department

Recommendation: Staff recommends approval.