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U.S. Department of Justice Bulletproof Vest Partnership (NB)

The U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance, invited the City of Gainesville to apply for \$19,008 in grant funding through the Bulletproof Vest Partnership Program. The program reimburses law enforcement agencies for up to fifty percent (50%) of the total costs of purchasing bulletproof vests to replace zylon bulletproof vests. The amount the City of Gainesville was eligible to apply for was established by the U.S. Department of Justice. The City submitted an application to the U.S. Department of Justice for the designated amount of grant funding.

The U.S. Department of Justice approved the application on May 27, 2010. This will allow the City of Gainesville to purchase up to \$38,016 in bulletproof vests and be reimbursed for fifty percent (50%) of the cost, up to a maximum of \$19,008.

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The City Commission authorize the City Manager to: 1) accept the \$19,008 in grant funds and the match of \$19,008 from forfeiture; and 2) execute any other necessary documents, pending review by the City Attorney as to form and legality.

The City Commission decline the Bulletproof Vest Partnership Award in the amount of \$19,008; and 2) advise staff not to accept the funds.