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### **Invitation to Participate in the Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles Application Process for E-Crash Hardware (NB)**

**This is a request for City Commission approval to submit an application to the Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles for participation in the E-Crash application process.**

The Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles (DHSMV) was awarded a Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration Grant which allows for the dissemination of laptops/hardware to state law enforcement agencies to be used for the purpose of electronically reporting commercial motor vehicle crashes. Applications will be scored based on agency need, the volume of commercial motor vehicle crashes reported by an agency, agency size and the agency's plan for implementing an E-Crash program. E-Crash enables the entry of crash data as close to the crash scene as possible, thus assuring completeness, consistency and fewer interpretation errors. It also saves money and resources in reducing all duplicative efforts (i.e., officer's entering data on hard copy forms only to have these data re-entered into the computer). The electronic submission eliminates the need to mail in paper crash forms. The timeliness of the data is now virtually instantaneous and readily available for processing.

It is anticipated that the Gainesville Police Department may be eligible to receive up to \$25,000 based on the number of commercial motor vehicle crashes reported annually by GPD.

The City Commission authorize the City Manager to submit the application to the Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles for consideration and, if approved, execute any other necessary documents, subject to approval by the City Attorney as to form and legality.