

City of Gainesville

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Legislation Text

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Solving Cold Cases with DNA Analysis (B)

This is a request for City Commission approval for the City Manager to execute a grant award.

The Alachua County Sheriff's Office was awarded a federal grant from the U.S. Department of Justice to pay overtime wages and travel costs for law enforcement agencies to evaluate and resolve unsolved homicide, missing person, unidentified human remains and sexual battery cases. A memorandum of understanding has been prepared between the Alachua County Sheriff's Office and the Gainesville Police Department to carry out investigative activities associated with this grant award.

The Gainesville Police Department is eligible to bill the Alachua County Sheriff's Office up to \$53,309 for investigative activities associated with this grant award. Investigative activities include overtime and benefit payments for law enforcement detectives, consultant services, up to six (6) in-state trips and up to three (3) out of state trips to interview witnesses and follow up on leads associated with cold cases. A laptop and software, air card and printer will also be purchased for use with this project.

To be eligible for reimbursement the Gainesville Police Department must provide documentation of time worked and policies associated with overtime pay and benefits to the Alachua County Sheriff's Office Grant Administrator. The time period associated with the grant award is December 1, 2010 through September 30, 2012.

The City Commission authorize the City Manager to accept and execute grant award and any other necessary documents, subject to approval by the City Attorney as to form and legality.