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### **COPS Office FY 2015 - Community Policing Development - Microgrant Initiative for Law Enforcement (NB)**

**This is a request for City Commission approval for the Gainesville Police Department to accept a grant if awarded from the U.S. Department of Justice, Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS).**

The Gainesville Police Department applied for the U.S. Department of Justice's Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) grant. The grant deadline was June 19, 2015. The grant awards can be up to \$75,000.

This grant will enable the City of Gainesville Police Department to conduct more open dialogue forums in the community. The grant is incorporating the 4.5 recommendation from the Final Report of the President's Task Force on 21<sup>st</sup> Century Policing. This recommendation suggests that "Community policing emphasizes working with neighborhood residents to co-produce public safety. Law Enforcement agencies should work with community residents to identify problems and collaborate on implementing solutions that produce meaningful results for the community."

There is no match requirement for this grant.

The City Commission authorize the City Manager to: 1) accept the grant if awarded, by the U.S. Department of Justice Office of Justice Programs, COPS ; and 2) if awarded, execute any grant documents, subject to review as to form and legality by the City Attorney.