



Legislation Text

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The Florida Department of Transportation's Safety Office Subgrant Funding for the City of Gainesville Motorcycle/Scooter Safety and Education Program, the Gainesville Police Department Distracted Driver Program and the City of Gainesville Safe Gator Program (B)

This is a request of the City Commission's approval to accept the grants through the Florida Department of Transportation Safety Office.

The Florida Department of Transportation's Safety Office is sponsoring the City of Gainesville Motorcycle/Scooter Safety and Education Program, the Gainesville Police Department Distracted Driver Program and the City of Gainesville Safe Gator Program. The City of Gainesville Motorcycle/Scooter Safety and Education Program is an overtime-only for proactive traffic enforcement projects with a focus on motorcycle and scooter infractions. The grant also funds a minimum of twelve (12), six-hour Safe Motorcycle and Rider Techniques (SMART) courses to train civilian riders in real world scenarios. The Gainesville Police Department Distracted Driver Program is an overtime-only for proactive traffic enforcement projects with a focus on reducing distracted driving behaviors. The City of Gainesville Safe Gator Program is an overtime-only detail for proactive enforcement and education with a focus on impaired driving.

All grants are overtime-only education and proactive traffic enforcement projects with funding provided by the Florida Department of Transportation.

The amount requested though the grant application is as follows:

Motorcycle/Scooter Safety and Education Program \$65,000

GPD Distracted Driver Program \$55,000

City of Gainesville Safe Gator Program \$65,000

Total requested from the Florida Department of Transportation \$185,000

The total grant awarded to the City is \$140,000

The original amount requested for the City of Gainesville Motorcycle/Scooter Safety and Education Program was \$65,000 however FDOT awarded \$50,000.

The original amount requested for the GPD Distracted Driver Program was \$55,000 however FDOT awarded \$25,000.

The original amount requested for the City of Gainesville Safe Gator Program was \$65,000 however FDOT awarded \$65,000.

The City Commission 1) authorize the City Manager to accept, and execute the grant award subject to approval

by the City Attorney as to form and legality and approve the expenditure as outlined in the approved grant awards.