AGENDA ITEM #__

DATE: 3/23/15

COAC NUMBER: 15-5564

CITY OF GOODYEAR CITY COUNCIL ACTION FORM

SUBJECT: ACCEPT 2013 ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT FOR \$3,600 TO FUND THREE NEW BALLISTIC VESTS FOR THE TERRORISM LIASION OFFICER (TLO) PROGRAM **STAFF PRESENTER: Tom Cole**

COMPANY CONTACT: N/A

RECOMMENDATION:

Accept 2013 Arizona Department of Homeland Security (AZDoHS) grant for \$3,600 to fund three ballistic vests for the Terrorism Liaison Officer (TLO) Program.

PURPOSE:

The City of Goodyear Terrorism Liaison Officer (TLO) Program has been funded through the Arizona Department of Homeland Security (AZDoHS) Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) since 2006. Reallocated funds have been awarded for the Goodyear program to enhance service and personnel safety by providing three new ballistic vests for our terrorism liaison officers.

BACKGROUND AND COMMUNITY BENEFIT:

The City of Goodyear has been a participant in UASI Terrorism Sustainment Grant since 2006. In 2006, the City of Goodyear executed a Sub-grantee Agreement for participation in the statewide TLO Program between the State of Arizona, through its Department of Emergency Management, and the City of Goodyear (Resolution 06-1057).

The Goodyear Police Department and Goodyear Fire Department also participated in the Terrorism Liaison Officer (TLO) Sustainment Grant Program in 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010 and 2011 (Resolutions 08-1215, 08-1268 09-4296, 10-1411 and 11-1456), which provided additional funding for training, equipment, maintenance, and furthering capabilities with enhancements to the TLO Program.

The TLO is an officer trained in the field of terrorism who relays terrorism-related information and intelligence efficiently and appropriately between the Arizona Counter Terrorism Information Center (ACTIC) and participating jurisdictions within the regions with individuals who are specifically trained to fulfill this function. The Terrorism Liaison Officers provide a vital link between law enforcement and Goodyear Fire Department units on active shooter, hostage barricade, and SWAT unit responses.

PREVIOUS ACTIONS AND DISCUSSION:

There has been no previous discussion at the Council level of this particular topic.

FISCAL ANALYSIS:

The grant amount being awarded is \$3,600.00 The City will be reimbursed the full amount for the equipment. There is a seven month grant cycle to complete the purchase of the equipment. The Fire Department administrative staff will submit the reimbursement paperwork to Arizona Department of Homeland Security (AZDoHS) once the equipment has been purchased with proof of payment included. In the past, the City has been reimbursed within (90) days of submitting the paperwork to AZDoHS. Grant funding will be sought to replace the equipment when it has surpassed its operational lifespan (8-10 years).

ATTACHMENTS:

Sub-grantee Agreement