City Council – Action Request Form

Date: January 11, 2021

To: Mayor, Mayor Pro Tempore, and Members of the City Council

From: Tasha Logan Ford, Assistant City Manager Catrina A. Thompson, Chief of Police

Council Action Requested:

Resolution Authorizing Permission To Apply For A Twelfth Year Of Grant Funding From The North Carolina Governor's Highway Safety Program For To Support Continued Operation Of The Forsyth County Driving While Intoxicated (DWI) Task Force

Strategic Focus Area: Safe and Secure Community **Strategic Objective:** Reduce Crime and Fear of Crime

Strategic Plan Action Item: No

Key Work Item: No



Summary of Information:

The City of Winston-Salem, Forsyth County and the Town of Kernersville are eligible to apply for a twelfth year of funding for the continued operation of the Forsyth County DWI Task Force. This grant funding is available from The North Carolina Governor's Highway Safety Program (GHSP). Since it began operation in 2010, the Task Force's accomplishments include 5,822 DWI citations; 2,714 speeding citations; 775 seatbelt citations; and over \$3.615 million in seized vehicles, drugs, and United States currency. The Task force has also taught 470 drunk driving prevention courses to 18,322 students.

The Task Force will operate throughout the geographic area of Forsyth County.

GHSP is again offering the opportunity to apply for a grant not to exceed 25% of personnel expenses for the Task Force. As with the current grant award for 2020-2021, the City of Winston-Salem, Forsyth County, and the Town of Kernersville would be required to provide the remaining 75% match. A chart outlining the estimated cost for each position, as well as the required match and grant award amount for these positions, is provided below:

Committee Action:							
Committee	Finance 1/11/2021 Public Safety 1/11/2021	Action	Approval				
For	Unanimous	Against					
Remarks:		-					

Agency	Position	Total Salary With Benefits	25% Grant Funded	75% Agency Funded	Estimated Salary (w/ Increases)
Winston-Salem Police Department	1 Sergeant	125,504	31,376.00	94,128	78,440
Winston-Salem Police Department	1 Senior Officer	92,800	23,200	69,600	58,000
Winston-Salem Police Department Winston-Salem	2 Officers	179,200	44,800	134,400	112,000
Subtotal		397,504	99,376	298,128	
Kernersville Police Department	1 Officer	81,090	20,272.50	60,818	51,000
Forsyth County Sheriff's Office	1 Officer	77,000	19,250	57,750	50,000
TOTAL		\$ 555,594	\$ 138,899	\$ 416,696	349,440

If applying for continued funding is approved, a grant application will be submitted; and if the application is funded, a grant award document, interlocal agreement, and mutual aid agreement will be required for signature via Council approval in August 2021.