



Cover Memorandum/Staff Report

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TO: Mayor and Commissioners
FROM: Chief Darrell Hunter, Police Department
THROUGH: Terrence R. Moore, ICMA-CM
DATE: December 1, 2025

APPROVAL OF GRANT APPLICATION AND AWARD/FDOT/SPEED/AGGRESSIVE DRIVING ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM

Recommended Action:

Motion to approve application and award for the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) FY 25/26 Speed/Aggressive Driving Enforcement program.

Background:

The Police Department is requesting approval to submit an application and accept an award for the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) FY 25/26 Speed/Aggressive Driving Enforcement program. Funding from this grant provides for overtime salaries for officers that will engage in speed/aggressive driving enforcement activities. The Delray Beach Police Department believes that this funding will help to provide the citizens of Delray Beach with safer roads.

FDOT's Highway Safety Program is designed to develop, implement, and manage a comprehensive data-driven traffic safety program aimed at saving lives, preventing injuries, and reducing related costs associated with traffic crashes on Florida's roadways. The Delray Beach Police Department seeks to protect the citizens of the City by increasing education and enforcement of highway safety regulations. This grant will provide funding support for those efforts. During the duration of the program, the members of the Police Department's Traffic Division/Motors Unit will conduct high visibility enforcement at major intersections where the majority of crashes occur in the City of Delray Beach. The unit will deploy to documented roadways where speeding is a problem and vigorously conduct speed enforcement utilizing education, and through the issuance of warnings and citations.

From 2020 to 2024, the City of Delray Beach has seen an increase in vehicular crashes due to speeding and aggressive driving and the growth of residents and vacationers who visit the downtown area. Palm Beach County is currently ranked 2nd out of 23 counties in Group I for Speed/Aggressive Driving, published in the FDOT Fiscal Year (FY) 2026 Highway Safety Matrix-Ranking of Florida Counties. Delray Beach is currently ranked 7th out of 105 cities for Speed/Aggressive Driving, which was published in the FDOT FY 2026 Highway Safety Matrix-Ranking of Florida Cities. It is this agency's goal to continue increasing safety awareness and reduce injury accidents and fatalities.

If FDOT approves our application, we will be awarded \$200,000 for the education and enforcement efforts.

City Attorney Review:

Approved as to form and legal sufficiency.

Funding Source/Financial Impact:

The reimbursable overtime for FY 25/26 is funded in 001-21-110-521.14-20 (Special Services - Reimbursable Overtime) account.

Timing of Request:

It is important to receive approval and fully executed grant in December to ensure activities under the grant start right away and can be completed during the grant project period.