



## Legislation Text

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**TO:** Mayor and Commissioners  
**FROM:** Javaro Sims, Police Department  
**THROUGH:** Neal de Jesus, Interim City Manager  
**DATE:** May 7, 2019

### GRANT APPLICATION / DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE BULLETPROOF VEST PARTNERSHIP

#### **Recommended Action:**

Motion to approve application to the Department of Justice's Bulletproof Vest Partnership program. If approved, this initiative would provide for the 50% of the cost of the bulletproof vest purchased for our Police officers, up to the amount not to exceed \$38,000.00

#### **Background:**

The Delray Beach Police Department requests approval to submit an application to the Department of Justice's Bulletproof Vest Partnership program. If awarded, this program would provide 50% of the cost of the bulletproof vests purchased for our Police officers. The Delray Beach Police Department currently has a Bulletproof Vest award with the Department of Justice and this application represent an opportunity to extend our current award program. Bulletproof vests are necessary life-saving equipment which Law Enforcement Agencies are required to procure. According to the DOJ website, "The Bulletproof Vest Partnership (BVP) is unique U.S. Department of Justice initiative designed to provide a critical resource to state and local law enforcement. "The Department is projecting about eighty-six vest purchases (New personnel as well as mandatory replacements which occur on a five year cycle) in the next two years at an approximate cost of \$882.00 per vest. The total request from the Bulletproof Vest Program is estimated at \$38,000 based on the total estimated purchases for the next two years. ( $\$882.00 \times 86 = \$75,852 / 50\% = \$37,926$ )

#### **City Attorney Review:**

N/A

#### **Funding Source/Financial Impact:**

Funding for the bulletproof vests for FY 19/20 and FY 20/21 will be included in account numbers 001-21-150-521.52-27 (General Fund: Operations -Equipment <\$5,000) and 001-21-110-521.52-27 (General Fund: Support-Equipment<\$5,000).

#### **Timing of Request:**

This request is time sensitive due to the program application deadline of May 28, 2019.

