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COMMISSION MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Commission
FROM: Commissioner Steven Meiner
DATE: November 16, 2022

SUBJECT: REFERRAL TO THE PUBLIC SAFETY AND NEIGHBORHOOD QUALITY OF LIFE COMMITTEE TO PROVIDE THE COMMITTEE WITH AN UPDATE AND DISCUSSION SURROUNDING POTENTIAL GRANT FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE CITY'S MUNICIPAL PROSECUTION PROGRAM.

ANALYSIS

Please place on the November 16, 2022 agenda a referral to the Public Safety and Neighborhood Quality of Life Committee to provide the Committee with an update and discussion surrounding potential grant funding opportunities to support the City's Municipal Prosecution Program, a program the City Commission has recently expanded to appropriately and responsibly prosecute criminal municipal ordinance offenders and further enhance public safety for the City's residents, visitors and businesses.

Recently, a resident asked me whether the City can obtain funding from the State of Florida, or the Federal Government, to support and/or enhance its Municipal Prosecution Program, in the same or similar manner as the Miami-Dade State Attorney's Office receives such funding for the prosecution of criminal offenders. Based upon this inquiry, I asked the City Attorney and Administration to look into this issue, and I am very pleased to learn that staff has confirmed that there are potential grant funding opportunities for which the City can apply.

Accordingly, as part of the referral, I would ask that the City Administration be prepared at Committee to provide the Committee with an update and to discuss any potential grant funding opportunities, and whether any action by the City Commission may be necessary to support the City's efforts to secure grants for the Municipal Prosecution Program.

SUPPORTING SURVEY DATA

N/A

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

N/A

Is this a "Residents Right to Know" item, pursuant to

Does this item utilize G.O. Bond Funds?

City Code Section 2-14?

Yes No

Legislative Tracking

Commissioner Steven Meiner