

Date: February 14, 2022

To:

The Honorable Mayor and City Council

Subject: AKC Reunite Adopt a K9 Cop Grant

Summary of Requested Action:

Staff is requesting authorization to apply for a \$7,500 grant through the AKC Reunite Adopt A K-9 Cop Grant. Pending Council's approval, authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute required documentation and certifications, including subsequent grant agreements. Funding will be used to purchase a canine for the police department.

Department Requesting Action: Police

Budgetary Impact: \$2,500.00 that is available in the budget

City Manager's Recommendation: I recommend that the City Council

authorize the Mayor, City Clerk, and appropriate City staff to execute documents required for the submission of the application and that the City Council authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute the grant agreement if the grant is awarded.

MEMORANDUM





To: Peter Varner, Interim City Manager

Cc: Robert Hassell, Chief of Police

From: Chris Ballard, Captain of Support Services

Date: 1/26/2022

Re: Intent to Apply for the AKC Reunite Adopt A K-9 Cop Grant

Purpose

The purpose of this memo is to request authorization to apply for a grant through the AKC Reunite Adopt A K-9 Cop Grant Program.

Discussion

AKC Reunite Adopt A K-9 Cop Grant will provide funding to assist eligible police departments purchase police canines. The City of Rocky Mount's Police Department is retiring one police canine. The cost to replace a canine is approximately \$10,000.00 and this grant will offset that cost.

There is a local match required to receive AKC Reunite Adopt A K-9 Cop Grant of \$2,500.00. The grant, if awarded, will match our \$2,500.00 contribution with up to \$7,500.00 towards the replacement cost of the canines. Staff would like to apply for said grant and any awarded funds towards the purchase of a new police canine to replace the one being retired. Any additional funds needed to cover the cost of replacement would come from the asset forfeiture account.

Staff's Request

Authorize Staff to submit the application to apply for the AKC Reunite Adopt A K-9 Cop Grant. Pending Council's approval authorize the Mayor, City Clerk, and/or appropriate Staff to execute the required documentation and certifications (including subsequent grant final application and agreements).

Please let me know if you have questions, concerns or need additional information.

Respectfully submitted, Captain Chris Ballard