RESOLUTION NO	
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A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MESQUITE, TEXAS, ENDORSING AND ACCEPTING THE 2025-2026 COMPREHENSIVE SAFETY GRANT (THE "GRANT") FOR THE SELECTIVE TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM (THE "STEP PROGRAM"); AUTHORIZING AND RATIFYING THE FILING OF THE APPLICATION FOR THE GRANT; APPROVING THE CONTRIBUTION OF CITY FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$14,926.68; DESIGNATING THE CITY MANAGER AS THE OFFICIAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE CITY IN CONNECTION WITH THE GRANT; RATIFYING THE CITY MANAGER'S **EXECUTION** OF THE GRANT AGREEMENT: AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO TAKE ALL ACTIONS AND EXECUTE ALL DOCUMENTS WITH THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION IN CONNECTION WITH SUCH GRANT AND STEP PROGRAM.

WHEREAS, the City of Mesquite, Texas (the "City"), and the Texas Department of Transportation ("TxDOT") participate in a Selective Traffic Enforcement Program to promote highway and roadway safety (the "STEP Program"); and

WHEREAS, the STEP Program for Fiscal Year 2025-2026 will be funded in part by a single-year Comprehensive Safety Grant from TxDOT in the sum of \$50,771.01 (the "2025-2026 Comprehensive Safety Grant") and in part by a City contribution in the amount not to exceed \$14,926.68 (the "City Contribution"); and

WHEREAS, the 2024-2025 Comprehensive Safety Grant and the City's Contribution will provide funding to hire off-duty officers on an overtime basis to detect and apprehend violators for driving while intoxicated, speed, occupant protection (safety belt and child safety seats), and intersection traffic control as well as distracted driving offenders on highways and residential roadways located in the City.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MESQUITE, TEXAS:

- SECTION 1. The City Council hereby authorizes and ratifies the filing by the City of the application for the 2025-2026 Comprehensive Safety Grant, including all understandings and assurances contained in the application.
- <u>SECTION 2</u>. The City hereby endorses and accepts the 2025-2026 Comprehensive Safety Grant for the STEP Program to promote highway and roadway safety.
- <u>SECTION 3</u>. The City hereby approves the contribution of City funds in the amount not to exceed \$14,926.68 for the STEP Program for the Fiscal Year 2025-2026.

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<u>SECTION 4.</u> The City Council hereby ratifies the City Manager's execution of the 2025-2026 STEP Comprehensive Safety Grant Agreement.

SECTION 5. The City Manager is hereby designated as the official representative of the City with authority to: (i) act on behalf of the City in connection with the application for the 2025-2026 Comprehensive Safety Grant; (ii) provide any additional information that may be required; and (iii) take all actions and execute all grant agreements, amendments, the Texas Department of Transportation – Traffic Safety Electronic Signature Authorization Form, and all other documents necessary or requested by TxDOT in connection with the 2025-2026 Comprehensive Safety Grant and the STEP Program.

DULY RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Mesquite, Texas, on the 3rd day of November 2025.

	Daniel Alemán, Jr. Mayor
ATTEST:	APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM:
Sonja Land	David L. Paschall
City Secretary	City Attorney