

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

DATE: 3/17/2025	SUBJECT: Resolution #2025-R-83 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAREDO, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AND EXECUTE AN INTERLOCAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF LAREDO POLICE DEPARTMENT (LPD) AND WEBB-ZAPATA COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE (WZCDAO) FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONTRACTING A WZCDAO PROSECUTOR TO PROVIDE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR THE LAREDO AUTO THEFT TASK FORCE. FUNDING IS AVAILABLE IN THE AUTO THEFT TASK FORCE FUND.
INITIATED BY: Joseph W. Neeb City Manager	STAFF SOURCE: Miguel A. Rodriguez, Jr. Chief of Police
PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION: City Council approved the grant award acceptance with Resolution #2024-R-290 on September 16, 2024.	
BACKGROUND: The Motor Vehicle Crime Prevention Authority (MVCPA) has authorized the issuance of the Fiscal Year 2025 (FY25) Request for Applications (RFA). Senate Bill 224 (SB) 224 provides that "The money deposited to the credit of the general revenue fund for coordinated regulatory and law enforcement activities intended to detect and prevent catalytic converter theft in this state may be appropriated to the Authority for the activities required by this section." To implement SB 224, the MVCPA is providing grants to local law enforcement taskforces and agencies to combat Catalytic Converter Theft.	
FINANCIAL IMPACT: Funding is available in the Auto Theft Task Force Fund.	
COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:	STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Recommends the approval of this Resolution.

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Whereas, under the provisions of the Texas Transportation Code Chapter 1006 and Texas Administrative Code Title 43; Part 3; Chapter 57, entities are eligible to receive grants from MVCPA to provide financial support to law enforcement agencies for economic motor vehicle theft and fraud-related motor vehicle crime enforcement teams; and

Whereas, the City of Laredo recently received funding from Motor Vehicle Crime Prevention Authority (MVCPA) for the FY25 SB224 Catalytic Converter Grant; and

Whereas, the Webb-Zapata County District Attorney's Office Prosecutor will assist with investigations and prosecutions of all motor vehicle crime related caseloads; and

Whereas, the Assistant City Manager is designated as the Authorized Official to apply for, accept, decline, modify, or cancel the grant application for the Motor Vehicle Crime Prevention Authority Grant Program and all other necessary documents to accept said grant; and

Whereas, the City of Laredo has agreed that in the event of loss or misuse of the Office of the Governor funds, the City of Laredo assures that the funds will be returned to the Office of the Governor in full.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAREDO THAT:

Section 1: A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Laredo, Texas, authorizing the City Manager to enter into and execute an Interlocal Cooperation Agreement between the City of Laredo Police Department (LPD) and Webb-Zapata County District Attorney's Office (WZCDAO) for the purpose of contracting a WZCDAO Prosecutor to provide professional services for the Laredo Auto Theft Task Force. Funding is available in the Auto Theft Task Force Fund.

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL AND APPROVED BY THE MAYOR ON THIS THE
_____ DAY OF _____, 2025.

DR. VICTOR D. TREVIÑO
MAYOR

ATTEST:

MARIO I. MALDONADO, JR.
CITY SECRETARY

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
DOAHN "ZONE" T. NGUYEN
CITY ATTORNEY

JOAQUIN A. RODRIGUEZ
FIRST ASSISTANT CITY ATTORNEY