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## **REPORT TO MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL**

**FROM:** Gregory S. Taylor – Deputy Chief of Police

**DATE:** April 17, 2020

**SUBJECT:** 2020 Concord Regional Crimeline Grant Application

### **Recommendation**

Through the City Manager, authorize the Police Department to apply for grant funding through the 2020 Concord Regional Crimeline Grant Program. Funds from this grant will be used by the Department to support community outreach programs, and specifically will allow the Department to purchase police mountain bikes. New mountain bikes are necessary in order to replace those bikes which are older and no longer viable or safe for police department use. Additional maintenance and accessory equipment will also be purchased using grant funding.

### **Background**

The Concord Regional Crimeline provides grant funding to member agencies for projects that promote community engagement and community safety initiatives. The Concord Police would like to utilize funding provided through this grant program to purchase police mountain bikes, accessories, and maintenance equipment. The Department's Mountain Bike Unit plays an integral role in the Department's community policing strategy. Mountain bike officers are able to interact more closely with the public and are more approachable by members of the community. Police mountain bikes are utilized in many community based events and also serve as a critical tool in addressing many of the City's quality of life issues. The Department has a number of mountain bikes which are quite old and are in need of replacement. This grant would allow for the purchase of new mountain bikes and also accessory and maintenance equipment for these bikes.

### **Discussion**

This grant will allow for the Concord Police Department to purchase police mountain bikes and necessary accessories and maintenance equipment for these bikes. It is recommended that the City Council authorizes the Department to apply for up to \$3,000 in grant funding through the Concord Regional Crimeline.