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

**FROM:** Deputy Chief Gregory Taylor, Police Department

**DATE:** May 7, 2021

**SUBJECT:** New Hampshire Attorney General's Drug Task Force Funding

**Recommendation** – Rescind and de-authorize the sum of fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) in grant funding provided from the State of New Hampshire Attorney General's Drug Task Force.

**Background** – The Concord Police Department was approved for grant funding in the amount of \$60,000 from the State of New Hampshire Attorney General's Drug Task Force designated to offset personnel expenses associated with the Department assigning an Officer to the Drug Task Force during fiscal year 2021. The City Council approved Resolution #9090 on May 11, 2020 authorizing the City Manager to accept and appropriate this \$60,000 in grant funding.

Due to COVID-19 and related staffing issues the Department was unable to assign an Officer to the Drug Task Force until October of 2020. As an Officer was not assigned to the Drug Task Force for the entirety of the first quarter of fiscal year 2021, the grant award was reduced by the State of New Hampshire by one quarter (\$15,000). The Department was advised that a maximum of \$45,000 of personnel costs would be reimbursable for the remainder of the fiscal year.

**Discussion** – Due to the State of New Hampshire's reduction in the eligible grant award amount to the Department, it is recommended that the City Council rescind and de-authorize the sum of \$15,000 in grant funding provided through the State of New Hampshire Attorney General's Drug Task Force.

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