



MEMORANDUM TO VENICE CITY COUNCIL

THROUGH CHARTER OFFICER: James Clinch, City Manager

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James Clinch (Dec 22, 2025 09:24:03 EST)

FROM: Brenda Westlake, Grants Administrator *BW*

VIA: Andy Leisenring, Police Chief *AL*

DEPARTMENT: Police Department

DATE: 12/17/2025

MEETING DATE: 1/13/2026

SUBJECT / TOPIC: Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) – Edward Bryne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) – Venice Police Department E-Bike

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: The Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) provides Justice Assistance Grants (JAG) to local communities based on an annual allocation. For the current grant cycle, the City of Venice received an allocation of **\$3,219.00** under Grant Agreement JG064. The Venice Police Department has been awarded these funds to purchase an Electronic Bike (E-Bike) for its Bike Unit.

The City of Venice maintains approximately 181 miles of bike lanes and an additional 25 miles of multi-use trails. These areas are often difficult for traditional police vehicles to access quickly during critical incidents. The Bike Unit also plays a vital role in special events, where its mobility allows officers to navigate heavily congested areas more effectively than patrol cars.

The FDLE Grant Agreement #JG064 covers the performance period from October 1, 2025, through September 30, 2026.

SUPPORTS STRATEGIC PLAN: Goal Two: Provide Efficient, Responsive Government with High Quality Services

COUNCIL ACTION REQUESTED: For Council Adoption by Consent Motion

Yes N/A

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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	City Attorney Reviewed/Approval <i>Roy David Jackson Jr.</i>
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