



City of Boynton Beach Agenda Item Request Form

Meeting Date: 05/ 6/2025

Proposed Resolution No. R25-111- Authorizing the City's application for the Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) FY24-25 Drone Replacement Grant Program, and ratifying the Drone Replacement Program Financial Assistance Agreement between the City and FDLE.

Requested Action: Staff recommends approval of Proposed Resolution No. R25-111.

Explanation of Request: The Florida Legislature amended section 934.50, Florida Statutes, to require governmental entities to only utilize drones meeting the requirements outlined in Rule 60GG-2.0075, Florida Administrative Code. This change required governmental agencies who use drones for various purposes to cease the use of any drone that is not in compliance with the Rule.

During the 2023 Legislative Session, the Florida Department of Law Enforcement appropriated approximately \$25 million in nonrecurring funds to implement the Drone Replacement Grant Program. This grant provides funding for agencies to replace drones that are not in compliance with Rule 60GG-2.0075, Florida Administrative Code. The agency will be awarded funds in an amount equaling the replacement cost, not to exceed \$25,000 per compliant drone, for each noncompliant drone relinquished to the Department.

The Boynton Beach Police Department will return two non-compliant drones and will be requesting reimbursement from the program for the purchase of two compliant drones, currently totaling \$40,661.

How will this affect city programs or services? Using drones will help the Boynton Beach Police Department respond to incidents faster and more efficiently. Drones can assist with search and rescue, crowd control, traffic monitoring, and crime scene investigations, making the community safer. They can also reduce response times, lower costs compared to traditional methods, and provide helpful aerial views for better decision-making. This technology will improve police work and enhance services for the community.

Account Line Item and Description: N/A

Fiscal Impact:

If awarded, the City of Boynton Beach Police Department may receive up to \$50,000 in grant funds with no cash match.

Attachments:

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[Exhibit A to Resolution - Agmt signed by the City](#)