

1 [Administrative Code - Regional Vehicle Interdiction Desk Grant Program - Waiving  
2 Competitive Solicitation Requirements for Procurements Using Grant Funds]

3 **Ordinance waiving the competitive solicitation requirements under Chapters 14B and**  
4 **21 of the Administrative Code for the Police Department’s procurement of equipment,**  
5 **technology, and services for the Regional Vehicle Interdiction Desk using grant funds**  
6 **from the United States Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance.**

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8 NOTE: **Unchanged Code text and uncodified text** are in plain Arial font.  
9 **Additions to Codes** are in *single-underline italics Times New Roman font*.  
10 **Deletions to Codes** are in *strikethrough italics Times New Roman font*.  
11 **Board amendment additions** are in double-underlined Arial font.  
12 **Board amendment deletions** are in ~~strikethrough Arial font~~.  
13 **Asterisks (\* \* \* \*)** indicate the omission of unchanged Code  
14 subsections or parts of tables.

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13 Be it ordained by the People of the City and County of San Francisco:

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15 Section 1. Findings

16 (a) The City and County of San Francisco and the surrounding region continue to  
17 experience significant harm from vehicle-based organized crime and the subsequent use of  
18 stolen vehicles in further criminal activity.

19 (b) These crimes impact San Francisco residents and businesses, threaten community  
20 safety, and require enhanced regional coordination and intelligence.

21 (c) The Police Department has been awarded a \$990,616 grant from the United States  
22 Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA), under the FY 2024 BJA Field  
23 Initiated: Encouraging Innovation Grant, to support the establishment of a Regional Vehicle  
24 Interdiction Desk (RVID) within the Police Department’s Real Time Investigations Center. The  
25 grant award is on file with the Board of Supervisors in File No. 250715.

1 (d) The RVID Project includes funding for a civilian analyst to combat carjacking and  
2 the use of carjacked vehicles in organized crime, software to support intelligence gathering  
3 and investigations, and a public awareness campaign.

4 (e) Following the award of the grant for the RVID Project in December 2024, the  
5 current Federal Administration has instructed federal agencies to conduct comprehensive  
6 reviews of financial assistance, and has signaled an intent to withhold or rescind broad  
7 categories of grant funding.

8 (f) In April 2025, the U.S. Department of Justice announced that it was terminating  
9 approximately \$811 million in grant funding, including more than \$535 million cut from BJA  
10 awards to local law enforcement.

11 (g) These cuts underscore that delays in expending awarded funds present a risk of  
12 rescission or loss of funds, particularly for regional initiatives like the RVID Project.

13 (h) It is in the City's best interest to proceed quickly to expend the BJA grant funds,  
14 which are critical to disrupting vehicle-based organized crime and safeguarding public safety.

15 (i) Waiving competitive solicitation requirements will expedite procurement of contract  
16 services for program evaluation and research, software systems, and the public awareness  
17 campaign for the RVID Project, and help ensure the City can swiftly deploy these resources in  
18 the face of mounting federal funding threats.

19 (j) For these reasons, it is in the public interest to waive competitive solicitation  
20 requirements under Administrative Code Chapters 14B and 21 for the procurement of  
21 equipment, technology and services for the RVID Project with the BJA grant funds.

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23 Section 2. Waiver of Competitive Solicitation Requirements.  
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