



City of Arts & Innovation

City Council Memorandum

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL DATE: October 6, 2015

FROM: RIVERSIDE POLICE DEPARTMENT WARDS: ALL

SUBJECT: COMPENSATION IN AMOUNT OF \$10,000 FROM PREUSSER RESEARCH GROUP FOR PARTICIPATION IN STUDY – SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION

ISSUE:

Acceptance of compensation in the amount of \$10,000 from the Preusser Research Group, Inc. for participation in a study to objectively learn about seat belt enforcement operations.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the City Council:

1. Approve and accept the compensation in the amount of \$10,000 from the Preusser Research Group; and
2. Authorize an increase in revenues in the amount of \$10,000; and
3. Authorize a supplemental appropriation in the amount of \$5,000 to Field Operations Training Account No. 3115000-427200, and \$5,000 to Special Operations Special Department Supplies Account No. 3125000-426800.

BACKGROUND:

The Preusser Research Group, Inc. is a full service research firm specializing in transportation, highway safety, and issues related to drug and alcohol abuse. The Preusser Research Group (PRG) is currently conducting a study for the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration to objectively learn about seat belt enforcement operations. The Riverside Police Department has agreed to work with PRG to explore what influences traffic enforcement operations in regards to seat belt enforcement. The end product of PRG's research will be information that can be used to model successful seat belt enforcement operations.

The Riverside Police Department has agreed to provide specific traffic citation data for a period of three years, from 2012-2014. The data will not contain any personal identifiers such as violator information or license information.

In return for RPD's participation in the study, PRG has agreed to provide compensation in the amount of \$10,000.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The compensation in the amount of \$10,000 will be split between the Traffic Division and the Crime Analysis Unit. The Traffic Unit will use their half for training, which will enable the division to send Traffic personnel to advanced traffic-related schools to better investigate and enforce traffic-related matters and to better educate the community on traffic-related laws and driving behaviors. The Crime Analysis Unit will use their half to purchase ergonomic workstations and audio video presentation equipment that can be used to facilitate the weekly crime suppression meetings and enhance training opportunities for the Crime Analysis Unit.

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