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# City Council Memorandum

**TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL** **DATE: JULY 11, 2017**

**FROM: POLICE DEPARTMENT** **WARDS: ALL**

**SUBJECT: STATE OF CALIFORNIA, BOARD OF STATE AND COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS, CITY LAW ENFORCEMENT GRANT AWARD IN THE AMOUNT OF \$69,197.58 – SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION**

## **ISSUE:**

Accept grant funds in the amount of \$69,197.58 for the City Law Enforcement Grant administered by the State of California, Board of State and Community Corrections.

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

That the City Council:

1. Accept the City Law Enforcement Grant administered by the State of California, Board of State and Community Corrections in the amount of \$69,197.58;
2. Authorize an increase in revenues in the amount of \$69,197.58 and appropriate expenditures in the same amount to project an account as assigned by the Finance Department; and
3. Authorize the City Manager, or his designee, to execute all necessary grant agreement documents and make non-substantive changes in documents associated with the grant.

## **BACKGROUND:**

The City Law Enforcement Grant was established by the Budget Act of 2016, Chapter 23 and allocated \$20 million to city police departments to increase positive outcomes between municipal law enforcement and high risk-populations. The grant allows departments to use the funding to supplement, but not supplant, the following:

- a) Homeless outreach teams
- b) Crisis Intervention Training for officers
- c) Gang Resistance Education and Training (GREAT)
- d) Resources for drug-endangered children
- e) Outreach to high-risk youth
- f) Youth diversion programs
- g) Gang and violence prevention programs

## **DISCUSSION:**

The Riverside Police Department (RPD) has elected to utilize the City Law Enforcement Grant to purchase equipment and resources needed to supplement youth diversion programs. RPD's youth diversion programs include Opportunity With Education (OWE) and the Riverside Youth Court.

OWE is a juvenile intervention and prevention program that provides education and mentoring to our youth through positive interactions with police officers, educators, prosecutors, and other professionals. This program is designed to positively redirect "at-risk" youth between the ages of 12 to 17, through topic lectures, tours, physical fitness, community service, and close order drill.

The Riverside Youth Court is an innovative approach to juvenile justice and acts as an early intervention for first-time offenders of misdemeanor crimes. It is designed to give youth between the ages of 10 and 17, who have broken the law and admitted their guilt, a second chance. Those who are eligible for the program will have their case heard in a real courtroom with youth serving as prosecuting and defense attorneys, court clerks, bailiffs and jurors. An adult judge will preside, but the youth jury will determine the sentence.

The following is a list of equipment that will be purchased utilizing the City Law Enforcement Grant:

1. 2017 Ford Transit-350 – Transportation for participants
2. Thirty (30) tablets/charging docks – To improve Youth Court efficiency and to make the program virtually paperless and green
3. Travel and Meeting Expense to the Youth Court Summit – 10 Youth Court participants for a three-day seminar
4. Custom shirts for participants of OWE and Youth Court
5. Quarterly training for participants of the Youth Court
6. Twenty-five (25) drug testing kits for Youth Court

## **FISCAL IMPACT:**

There is no impact to the General Fund. The total grant funding received is \$69,197.58 and no matching funds are required.

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