

City Council Memorandum

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL DATE: MAY 19, 2020

FROM: RIVERSIDE POLICE DEPARTMENT WARD: ALL

SUBJECT: U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, BUREAU OF JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT

APPLICATION - CORONAVIRUS EMERGENCY SUPPLEMENTAL FUNDING PROGRAM IN AN AMOUNT UP TO \$364,813 FOR A TWO-YEAR PERIOD FROM JANUARY 2020 TO JANUARY 2022 - SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION

ISSUES:

Approve the submission of a grant application and, upon award, the acceptance of grant funds for the Coronavirus Emergency Supplemental Funding Program in an amount up to \$364,813, for a two-year period from January 2020 to January 2022, administered by the U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance, authorize the City Manager, or designee, to accept the Assurances and Certifications that will be submitted with the application and execute any grant documents, and authorize a supplemental appropriation.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the City Council:

- Approve the submission of a grant application for the Coronavirus Emergency Supplemental Funding Program for a two-year period from January 2020 to January 2022 in an amount up to \$364,813, administered by the U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance;
- 2. Approve the acceptance of grant funds, upon award, for the Coronavirus Emergency Supplemental Funding Program in an amount up to \$364,813, administered by the U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance;
- Authorize the City Manager, or designee, to accept the Assurances and Certifications with the application and to execute any grant documents and make non-substantive changes in any documents associated with grant submittal or award acceptance; and
- 4. Authorize, upon grant award, an increase in the amount of the grant award up to \$364,813 in a Police Department Grant Revenue Account and an increase in appropriate expenditures in the same amount to a Police Department Grant Expenditure Account by Finance for the U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance.

BACKGROUND:

The Coronavirus Emergency Supplemental Funding (CESF) Program is authorized by Division B of H.R. 748, 748, Pub. L. No. 116-136 (Emergency Appropriations for Coronavirus Health Responses and Agency Operations); 28 U.S.C. 530C. The program will provide funding to assist eligible states, local units of government, and tribes in preventing, preparing for, and responding to the coronavirus. States, U.S. Territories, the District of Columbia, units of local government, and federally recognized tribal governments that were identified as eligible for funding under the Fiscal Year 2019 State and Local Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program are eligible to apply under the Coronavirus Emergency Supplemental Funding (CESF) Program solicitation.

DISCUSSION:

The program will provide funding to assist eligible states, local units of government, and tribes in preventing, preparing for, and responding to the coronavirus. Funds awarded under the CESF Program must be utilized to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the coronavirus. Allowable projects and purchases include, but are not limited to, overtime, equipment (including law enforcement and medical personal protective equipment), hiring, supplies (such as gloves, masks, sanitizer), training, travel expenses (particularly related to the distribution of resources to the most impacted areas), and addressing the medical needs of inmates in state, local, and tribal prisons, jails, and detention centers.

Funding will be shared between the Riverside Police Department and the Riverside Fire Department, with oversight, reporting, and financial tracking and reporting managed by the Riverside Police Department.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The total grant award is estimated to be \$364,813. No matching funds are required.

Upon approval, an increase in the amount of the grant award up to \$364,813 will be made in the Police Department Grant Revenue Account No. 9170000-33110 and an increase will be made in the appropriate expenditures in the same amount to the Police Department Grant Expenditure Account Nos. 9170000-411500, 9170000-411501 and 9170000-426800.

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Certified as to

availability of funds: Edward Enriquez, Chief Financial Officer/City Treasurer

Approved by: Lea Deesing, Assistant City Manager

Approved as to form: Gary G. Geuss, City Attorney