

City Council Memorandum

City of Arts & Innovation

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL DATE: AUGUST 18, 2020

FROM: RIVERSIDE POLICE DEPARTMENT WARDS: ALL

SUBJECT: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE STANDARD AGREEMENT FOR DEPARTMENT OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL 2020/2021 ALCOHOL POLICING PARTNERSHIP GRANT AWARD IN THE AMOUNT OF \$58,262 TO INCREASE ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITY AND COMBAT ALCOHOL-RELATED CRIMES - SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION

ISSUES:

Adopt a resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute the Standard Agreement for the State of California Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control 2020/2021 Alcohol Policing Partnership grant award in the amount of \$58,262 to increase enforcement activity and combat alcohol-related crimes in relation to alcoholic beverage control violations and authorize a supplemental appropriation in the same amount.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the City Council:

- 1. Adopt a resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute the Standard Agreement for the State of California Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control 2020/2021 Alcohol Policing Partnership grant award in the amount of \$58,262 to increase enforcement activity and combat alcohol-related crimes in relation to alcoholic beverage control violations; and
- 2. Authorize an increase in revenues in the amount of \$58,262 to the Grant and Restricted Programs Fund Alcohol Beverage Control Grant Revenue Account and appropriate expenditures in the same amount to the Grant and Restricted Programs Police Department Special Operations Alcohol Beverage Control Grant Expenditure Account.

BACKGROUND:

In June 2020, the Riverside Police Department (RPD) received notification of funding from the State of California, Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC). The purpose of the funding is for a comprehensive alcohol enforcement program that combats alcohol-related crimes such as purchases and sales to underage persons and nuisance/problematic establishments. The grant will also help incorporate the ABC-related issues into community policing by educating and involving the community in resolving alcohol-related crimes and issues through education and information.

DISCUSSION:

The Alcohol Policing Partnership (APP) funds will support the City's efforts to reduce occurrences of public drunkenness, drunk driving, underage drinking, assaults, and other concerns associated with alcoholic-related crimes.

The APP grant will be implemented by the Riverside Police Department's Special Investigations Vice Division. The funding will allow staff to continue to work closely with ABC investigators to proactively address and expand their enforcement efforts in the area of use and sales of illegal activity in and around on-sale licensed establishments. The focus will be on problematic establishments that may be suspected of allowing illegal transactions.

In conjunction with the Down Entertainment District (DED) task force, the Vice Unit will continue to conduct surveillance, initiate special projects, and develop productive relationships with business owners and other stakeholders to address operating conditions through programs such as IMPACT inspections, Minor Decoy and Shoulder Tap.

- The IMPACT inspections assess the businesses' compliance with ABC laws and educate them regarding any non-compliance issues.
- The Minor Decoy program allows law enforcement agencies to use persons under 20 years of age as decoys for the purpose of purchasing alcoholic beverages from licensed premises.
- The Shoulder Tap program is an enforcement program used by ABC and local law enforcement agencies wherein a minor decoy, under the supervision of law enforcement officers, solicits adults outside licensed stores to buy alcohol for the minor.

The grant term runs from July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The total grant funds are \$58,262. Acceptance of grant funds will require an increase in revenues in the amount of \$58,262 to the Grant and Restricted Programs Fund Alcohol Beverage Control Grant Revenue Account No. 9342100-334100 and an appropriation of expenditures in the same amount to the Grant and Restricted Programs Police Department Special Operations Alcohol Beverage Control Grant Expenditure Account No. 9342100-411500. No matching funds are required.

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Attachments:

- 1. Resolution accepting the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control's 2020/2021 award
- 2. Standard Agreement with State of California Department of Alcohol Beverage Control