



City of Arts & Innovation

City Council Memorandum

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL DATE: OCTOBER 3, 2023

FROM: POLICE DEPARTMENT WARD: ALL

SUBJECT: RESOLUTION AND AGREEMENT ACCEPTING DEPARTMENT OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL'S 2023/2024 ALCOHOL POLICING PARTNERSHIP (APP) GRANT AWARD IN THE AMOUNT OF \$98,343 TO INCREASE ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITY AND COMBAT ALCOHOL-RELATED CRIMES - SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION

ISSUES:

Approve a Resolution and Agreement accepting the State of California Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control's (ABC) 2023/2024 Alcohol Policing Partnership (APP) grant award in the amount of \$98,343 to increase enforcement activity and combat alcohol-related crimes in relation to alcoholic beverage control ABC violations for the period of July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024 and authorize a supplemental appropriation in the same amount.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the City Council:

1. Approve an Agreement with the State of California Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control for a 2023/2024 Alcohol Policing Partnership (APP) grant award in the amount of \$98,343 to increase enforcement activity and combat alcohol-related crimes in relation to alcoholic beverage violations for the period of July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024;
2. Adopt a Resolution to accept the State of California Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control's 2023/2024 Alcohol Policing Partnership (APP) grant award in the amount of \$98,343 to increase enforcement activity and combat alcohol-related crimes in relation to alcoholic beverage violations for the period of July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024;
3. With at least five affirmative votes, upon receipt of the grant award, authorize the Chief Financial Officer, or designee, to record an increase in revenues and an appropriation of expenditures in an amount up to \$98,343, or the actual award amount, in the Grants and Restricted Programs Fund, Alcoholic Beverage Control 2023/2024 Alcohol Policing Partnership Grant Program accounts; and
4. Authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute any and all grant documents with the State of California Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control's 2023/2024 Alcohol Policing Partnership (APP) Grant Program, including making minor and non-substantive changes.

BACKGROUND:

In July 2023, 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 Bureau, Vice Unit. 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 are suspected of allowing illegal transactions.

The Vice Unit will conduct surveillance, initiate special projects, and develop productive relationships with business owners and other stakeholders throughout the City 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, 2023 through June 30, 2024.

STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT:

This item contributes to Strategic Priority No. 2 Community Well-Being and Goal number No. 2.4 – Support programs and innovations that enhance community safety, encourage neighborhood engagement, and build public trust.

This item aligns with each of the five Cross-Cutting Threads as follows:

1. **Community Trust** – The Riverside Police Department is dedicated to improving quality of life by creating a safe environment in partnership with the people it serves. RPD's ability

to enforce alcohol related regulations, serves the public interest, benefits the City’s diverse populations, and results in the greater public good.

2. **Equity** – RPD endeavors to provide public safety services to all residents in the City of Riverside. The addition of alcohol policing funds assists in the achievement of this goal and ensures that only those that should be buying and selling alcohol are able.
3. **Fiscal Responsibility** – This grant will provide partial funding for alcohol related operations, lessening the financial burden on the Police Department.
4. **Innovation** – RPD must constantly change and adapt to meet the community’s changing needs and prepare for the future.
5. **Sustainability & Resiliency** – The additional funding from this grant ensures the Police Department has the capacity to preserve, adapt, and grow with the needs of the community.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The total fiscal impact of this action is \$98,343. Upon Council approval and grant award, an increase in revenue and an equal amount in appropriations of expenditures, in the amount of the grant award, will be recorded in the Grants and Restricted Programs Fund, Alcoholic Beverage Control 2023/2024 Alcohol Policing Partnership Grant Program, revenue and expenditure accounts listed in the table below.

Fund	Program	Account	Amount
<i>Revenue</i>			
Grants & Restricted Programs	ABC Alcohol Policing Partnership - Revenue	9349400-334100	\$98,343
<i>Expenditures</i>			
Grants & Restricted Programs	ABC Alcohol Policing Partnership – O/T	9349400-411500	\$97,583
	ABC Alcohol Policing Partnership – Supplies	9349400-426800	\$760
Total Expenditures			\$98,343

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 Approved by: Mike Futrell, City Manager
 Approved as to form: Phaedra Norton, City Attorney

Attachments:

1. Resolution
2. Agreement