

**CITY OF OAKLAND**  
**AGENDA REPORT**

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To: Office of the City Administrator  
Attn: Dan Lindheim  
From: Police Department  
Date: March 1, 2011

**Re: A Report and Proposed Resolution Authorizing the City Administrator to Accept and Appropriate Grant Funds in the Amount of Thirty-Three Thousand Dollars (\$33,000) from the State of California, Department of Boating and Waterways, to the Oakland Police Department for Use by Marine Unit for Equipment Purchases to Outfit and Maintain Two Vessels Used for Law Enforcement and Homeland Security on City of Oakland Waterways and the Port of Oakland Terminals**

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**SUMMARY**

A resolution has been prepared authorizing the City Administrator, on behalf of the City of Oakland, to accept and appropriate grant funds in the amount of \$33,000 from the State of California, Department of Boating and Waterways to the Oakland Police Department (OPD) Marine Unit. The proposed program period is October 1, 2010 through August 31, 2011.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

Approval of this resolution will authorize the City Administrator to accept grant funds in the amount of \$33,000 from the State of California Department of Boating and Waterways and appropriate said funds to the Oakland Police Department for use by the Marine Unit to purchase boating equipment and maintain two vessels used for law enforcement and homeland security on City of Oakland waterways and Port of Oakland terminals. Grant appropriations and revenues<sup>1</sup> will be allocated in the State of California Grant Fund (2999), Special Operations Division Organization (107710), Special Operations Program (PS13), in a Project Account to be determined. No matching funds or in-kind requirements are associated with this grant. This grant will be managed by the Marine Unit supervisor.

The Marine unit plans on purchasing two SHOXS brand shock mitigation seats (one for each of our 31' Almar Sounder Boats); our current seats have excessive wear and are failing due to heavy vessel traffic causing wakes, and unpredictable changing weather patterns in the San Francisco Bay. The shock mitigation seats are needed to insulate personnel from the wave and wake impact on the body.

The Marine Unit will also purchase two Lowrance Sonar imaging units. These units will enable the marine officer to obtain 3D Side Scan, Down Scan imaging thus giving the operator the

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<sup>1</sup> A negligible amount of revenues are generated from citations issued by officers assigned to boat patrol.

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ability to see underwater obstacles that may cause damage and injury to our patrol boats, recreational or commercial vessels, and the environment.

The Marine Unit will also purchase two DUI brand Dry suits. These are total encapsulating water suits allowing the marine officer to conduct a self/ partner rescue or civilian rescue. These dry suits are necessary to insulate the user from the cold bay area waters and the dangerous contaminants found in the Oakland/San Francisco Bay.

In addition we will purchase two Automatic Identification Systems (AIS), which is a short range coastal tracking system used on ships and by Vessel Traffic Services (VTS) for identifying and locating vessels by electronically exchanging data with other nearby ships and VTS stations. Information such as unique identification, position, course, and speed can be displayed on a screen or an ECDIS. AIS is intended to assist the vessel's watch standing officers, and allow maritime authorities to track and monitor vessel movements.

## **BACKGROUND**

For the past 17 years, the Oakland Police Department has patrolled the City of Oakland waterfront and the Port of Oakland with vessels from private donations made to the Department. In February 2007, OPD purchased two new vessels with funds awarded by a state grant approved by Resolution No. 79859 C.M.S., dated April 20, 2006. Since that time, the Department operated the two 31' Almar Soumder vessels to patrol the waterways.

## **KEY ISSUES AND IMPACTS**

The Department has primary law enforcement responsibilities for the waterways within the City's boundaries. These waterways include the Estuary and portions of the San Francisco Bay; responsibilities include patrolling the Bay Bridge and the Port of Oakland terminals, as well as conducting investigations of maritime and small boat collisions and enforcing various laws related to the safe operation of recreational boats in and around the numerous commercial vessels that use the same waterways.

The Police Department also has shared obligations with the U.S. Coast Guard to maintain exclusionary zone security in the aforesaid waters, in particular the shallow waters adjacent to the Oakland International Airport, as adopted in Ordinance No. 12608 C.M.S., dated June 15, 2004.

## **PROJECT DESCRIPTION**

The Oakland Police Department Marine Unit working environment varies from each season. Sudden weather changes require specific equipment needs. Acceptance of this grant will allow the Marine Unit to purchase equipment in order to better withstand sudden weather changes.

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This equipment will enable us to conduct our patrols in a safe and efficient manner and keep our boats in the water on patrol.

### **SUSTAINABLE OPPORTUNITIES**

*Economic:* Acceptance of this grant will help the City maintain the safety and security of the Bay Bridge, the Port of Oakland, the Estuary and the Oakland International Airport, all of which are vital economic entities for the City of Oakland. Whenever possible, all equipment will be purchased locally.

*Environmental:* The continued ability to readily identify pollution incidents and enforce laws relating to the pollution of the City's waterways will improve the water quality of the Oakland Estuary and the San Francisco Bay.

Over the past 3 years we have had two major incidents that caused harm to the S.F. bay waters. In November of 2007, 53000 gallons of heavy fuel oil spilled from the ship Cosco Busan. In October of 2009 the ship *Dubai Star* suffered a rupture in one of its fuel lines, spilling 400-800 gallons of intermediate fuel oil into the waters of southern San Francisco Bay. Each time the Oakland Marine Unit deployed the Security response boats to provide immediate assistance in mitigating the spread of the spills.

*Social Equity:* Services provided will assist the community through improved police services and improved waterside security.

### **DISABILITY AND SENIOR CITIZEN ACCESS**

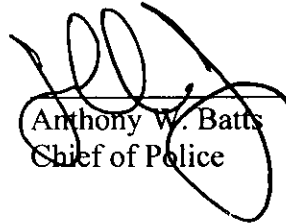
There are no ADA or senior citizen access issues contained in this report.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

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The Oakland Police Department recommends that the City Council approve the proposed resolution authorizing the City Administrator to accept grant funds in the amount of \$33,000 from the State of California, Department of Boating and Waterways, and appropriate said funds to the Police Department for use by the Marine Unit for equipment purchases and to maintain two vessels.

Respectfully submitted,



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Oakland Police Department

APPROVED AND FORWARDED TO  
THE CITY COUNCIL:



Office of the City Administrator

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# OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

*A. Macmillan*  
City Attorney

RESOLUTION No. \_\_\_\_\_ C.M.S.

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Introduced by Councilmember \_\_\_\_\_

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR, ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF OAKLAND, TO ACCEPT AND APPROPRIATE GRANT FUNDS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED THIRTY-THREE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$33,000) FROM THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA, DEPARTMENT OF BOATING AND WATERWAYS, FOR USE BY THE OAKLAND POLICE DEPARTMENT MARINE UNIT FOR EQUIPMENT PURCHASES TO OUTFIT AND MAINTAIN MARINE VESSELS USED FOR PUBLIC SAFETY AND OTHER HOMELAND SECURITY PROJECTS ON OAKLAND WATERWAYS AND THE PORT OF OAKLAND**

**WHEREAS**, the Marine Unit of the Oakland Police Department is the City's designated regulator of waterway security in and around the City of Oakland; and

**WHEREAS**, members of the Marine Unit are tasked with security of the ports and waterways of the Estuary and Oakland International Airport waterside; and

**WHEREAS**, the State of California, Department of Boating and Waterways has advised that the City of Oakland has been awarded a grant in the amount of \$33,000 for use by the Oakland Police Department Marine Unit; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council previously authorized acceptance of similar grant funds by Resolution No. 79374 C.M.S., dated July 19, 2005 and Resolution No. 79641 C.M.S., dated December, 20, 2005; and

**WHEREAS**, the grant will provide funds for replacement engines and outfitting costs of the Department's marine vessels which are not otherwise budgeted; now, therefore be it

**RESOLVED:** That the City Council does hereby authorize the City Administrator or his designee to accept \$33,000 m State of California, Department of Boating and Waterways grant funds and appropriate said budget to the Police Department; and be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED:** That the grant monies shall be maintained in the State of California Grant Fund (2999), Special Operations Division Organization (107710), Special Operations Program (PS13), in a Project Account to be determined; and be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED:** That all purchases pursuant to this grant shall comply with the City of Oakland's purchasing ordinance; and be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED:** That the City Administrator or her designee is authorized to complete all required negotiations, certifications, assurances and documentation required to accept, modify, extend and/or amend the grant award.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_

**PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:**

**AYES -** BROOKS, BRUNNER, DE LA FUENTE , KAPLAN, KERNIGHAN, NADEL, SCHAAF, and PRESIDENT REID

**NOES -**

**ABSENT -**

**ABSTENTION -**

**ATTEST:** \_\_\_\_\_  
LaTonda Simmons  
City Clerk and Clerk of the Council