

CITY OF OAKLAND

AGENDA REPORT

OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

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TO: Office of the City Administrator
ATTN: Deborah Edgerly
FROM: Police Department
DATE: February 28, 2006

RE: **A Report and Proposed Resolution Authorizing the City Administrator, on Behalf of the City of Oakland, to Accept and Appropriate Grant Funds in an Amount not to Exceed Twenty-One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$21,500) from the State of California, Governor's Office of Emergency Services, Serving as Fiscal Agent for Project Safe Neighborhoods, as Administered Through the Office of the U.S. Attorney for the Northern District of California in Support of the Oakland Homicide Task Force Program in the Police Department**

SUMMARY

A resolution has been prepared authorizing the City Administrator, on behalf of the City of Oakland, to accept and appropriate grant funds in an amount not to exceed \$21,500 from the State of California, Governor's Office of Emergency Services, Project Safe Neighborhoods, in support of the Oakland Homicide Task Force program. The proposed grant term is December 1, 2005, through September 30, 2006.

FISCAL IMPACT

It is anticipated that the Department will receive State of California grant funds in the amount of \$21,500 in support of the Oakland Homicide Task Force program. Revenues and appropriations will be allocated in the State of California Grant Fund: 2152, Homicide Division Org.: 102320, Homicide Division Program: PS03, in a Project Account to be determined. The program will be managed by the Homicide Division Commander. Expense allocations are as follows:

Description and Use of Funds	Amount
Technological Equipment (radios, computers, and related devices)	\$18,700
High Speed Scanner	\$2,800
TOTAL:	\$21,500

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BACKGROUND

Project Safe Neighborhoods is a comprehensive, strategic approach to reducing gun violence across America. In 2002, the Project Safe Neighborhoods (PSN) Task Force for the Northern District of California was formed and subsequently identified five (5) target communities in which to focus strategic planning and accountability components in relationship to the U.S. Department of Justice's PSN initiative. The target communities are:

- * Oakland
- * San Francisco
- * Salinas
- * Richmond
- * San Jose

In Oakland, Project Safe Neighborhoods has provided grant funding for an anti-gun violence media campaign (Project Exile - \$250,000), as well as sponsorship for the Homicide Task Force Program (\$100,000), and the Drug Education for Youth Program (\$40,000).

KEY ISSUES AND IMPACTS

Firearms are the leading cause of injury-related death in the City of Oakland, and guns are readily available on street corners and in too many of our neighborhoods. The Police Department has made progress toward reducing gun violence with the enactment of several crime prevention and suppression programs, yet gun offenses (including drug-related offenses) remain prevalent.

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Oakland Homicide Task Force Program

Since 2003, the Oakland Homicide Task Force Program has worked closely with the PSN Task Force to address the ongoing problem of homicides in the City of Oakland. Special emphasis has been directed toward:

- Targeting violent narcotics traffickers
- Developing a strong collaboration between the PSN Task Force and the Police Department's Homicide Unit
- Targeted intervention to reduce the supply of illicit narcotics and guns within Oakland's borders
- Developing a database to track enforcement efforts and offenders

SUSTAINABLE OPPORTUNITIES

Economic

Supplies and equipment used for the project will, whenever possible, be purchased locally.

Environmental

Continued enactment of the Homicide Task Force program will reduce the level of gun violence in the City of Oakland.

Social Equity

The services provided by the Police Department's Project Safe Neighborhoods initiative will assist the community through improved police services.

DISABILITY AND SENIOR CITIZEN ACCESS

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


RECOMMENDATION

The Oakland Police Department recommends that the City Council authorize the City Administrator to accept grant funds in an amount not to exceed \$21,500 from the State of California, Governor's Office of Emergency Service, Project Safe Neighborhoods grant program and appropriate said funds to the Police Department.

ACTION REQUESTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL


Staff recommends that the City Council approve the resolution.

Respectfully submitted,


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Chief of Police

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Bureau of Investigations
And
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Bureau of Administration

APPROVED AND FORWARDED TO THE
PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE:


Office of the City Administrator

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City Attorney**RESOLUTION No. _____ C.M.S.**2006 FEB 16 PM 12:17
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 TWENTY-ONE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$21,500) FROM THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA, GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF EMERGENCY SERVICES, SERVING AS THE FISCAL AGENT FOR PROJECT SAFE NEIGHBORHOODS, AS ADMINISTERED THROUGH THE OFFICE OF THE U.S. ATTORNEY FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA IN SUPPORT OF THE OAKLAND HOMICIDE TASK FORCE PROGRAM IN THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, it is anticipated that grant funds in an amount not to exceed \$21,500 will be received from the State of California, Governor's Office of Emergency Services, in support of the Oakland Homicide Task Force Program in the Police Department; and

WHEREAS, these grant funds are to be used to expand law enforcement efforts to address gun violence and narcotics trafficking problems through comprehensive programs in the City of Oakland; and

WHEREAS, the City Council previously authorized acceptance of similar grant funds by Resolution No. 78555 C.M.S., dated May 18, 2004; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That the City Council hereby authorizes the City Administrator or her designee to accept and appropriate grant funds in an amount not to exceed \$21,500 from the State of California, Governor's Office of Emergency Services to the Police Department; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the funds for the Oakland Homicide Task Force Program shall be maintained in the State of California Grant Fund: 2152, Homicide Division Org.: 102320, Homicide Division Program: PS03, in a Project Account to be determined; 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; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the City Council hereby authorizes the City Administrator, as agent of the City, to conduct all negotiations and related actions and to sign all applications and agreements that may be necessary for the completion of the aforementioned grant.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, _____, 20_____

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES- BROOKS, BRUNNER, CHANG, KERNIGHAN, NADEL, QUAN, REID, and PRESIDENT DE LA FUENTE

NOES-

ABSENT-

ABSTENTION-

ATTEST: _____

LaTonda Simmons
City Clerk and Clerk of the
Council of the City of Oakland, California