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AGENDA REPORT

TO: Sabrina B. Landreth
City Administrator

FROM: Anne Kirkpatrick
Chief of Police

SUBJECT: FY 2019-20 OPD Traffic Safety Grant
Supplemental

DATE: September 13, 2019

City Administrator Approval

Date:

9/19/19

RECOMMENDATION

Staff Recommends That The City Council Adopt A Resolution Authorizing The City Administrator, Or Designee, To Accept And Appropriate Grant Funds In The Amount Of Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000) Dollars From The State Of California, Office Of Traffic Safety (OTS), For The Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Selective Traffic Enforcement Program (STEP), To Be Administered By The Oakland Police Department (OPD); And To Authorize The General Purpose Services Fund To Contribute Seventy One Thousand Two Hundred Twenty Two Dollars (\$71,222) To Cover The Related Central Services Overhead Charges.

REASON FOR THE SUPPLEMENTAL

The Oakland City Council requested additional police traffic patrol data when the last OTS STEP grant was appropriated via Resolution No. 87363 C.M.S., dated October 16, 2018.

Rationale for Traffic Patrol Location Selection

OPD traffic patrols were chosen for specific reasons. Firstly, several traffic collisions have occurred in the City of Oakland related to unsafe driving which resulted in serious injuries or fatalities, including:

- A vehicle hit and run incident at 26th Avenue and Foothill Blvd resulted in two persons killed and one injured;
- A vehicle hit and run incident at the 1200 block of 35th Avenue resulted in a fourteen-year old suffering major injuries; and
- A hit and run incident at 35th Avenue and Galindo Street resulted in a bicyclist struck and killed in the intersection.

OPD traffic patrol STEP grant-funded OPD's Traffic Operations Section (TOS), in collaboration with Oakland Department of Transportation, focuses traffic patrols in areas with pedestrian-involved injuries and/or fatal collisions, as well as a variety of factors including safety, equity, and walkability throughout the City of Oakland. This collaboration has identified 34 corridors and 37 intersections as the most dangerous streets and intersections for pedestrians.

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OPD Area Commanders also provide direction for traffic patrols in support of concerns raised by local residents. TOS regularly receives requests for traffic patrols for all five City police areas. Requests usually stem from the frequency of unsafe vehicle speeding. OPD also uses traffic patrols to support efforts to mitigate gun violence (in areas with spikes in gun shootings).

OTS STEP Grant-funded operations occur in each OPD police area. The Fiscal Year 2018-19 STEP Grant funded the following area operations:

- Area 1: 15 patrol operations:
- Area 2: 13 patrol operations:
- Area 3: 19 patrol operations:
- Area 4: 15 patrol operations:
- Area 5: 17 patrol operations:

OTS STEP Grant Operations Stop Data

The FY 2019-20 OPD Traffic Safety Grant report dated August 27, 2019 on page 5 includes the table reproduced below. This supplemental report provides additional context to the grant-funded stop data.

Table 2: STEP Grant-funded Stop Data, by Race: November 26, 2018 – June 30, 2019

Race	Arrest	Citation	Warning	No Action	Total
AA* / Black	9	475	10	8	502
Hispanic	9	345	6	3	363
White	2	170	6	2	180
Asian	1	107	4	3	115
Other	0	90	2	1	93
Total	21	1187	28	17	1253

Race	Arrest	Citation	Warning	No Action	Total
AA* / Black	2%	95%	2%	2%	100%
Hispanic	2%	95%	2%	1%	100%
White	1%	94%	3%	1%	100%
Asian	1%	93%	3%	3%	100%
Other	0%	97%	2%	1%	100%

* AA = African American

As the dated August 27, 2019 report explains, "Officers first began to record stops specific to the STEP Grant on November 26, 2018. There were 90 stops in 2018 – all of which resulted in citations. For 2019 stops, officers were now able to select multiple results for a stop (Citation, Warning, Arrest and/or Field Contact). Citations in Table 2 above refer to when no arrest occurred. The "other" category refers to stops when there was no arrest or citation." These stops were always initiated based on an observed infraction, such as driving while speaking on a mobile phone, not stopping at a stop sign, or speeding.

The stop data from the OTS Step Grant-funded operations is consistent with citywide police stop data; Between May 01 and October 31, 2018, OPD stop data, by race is:

- African American persons – 39 percent
- Hispanic / Latino person – 27 percent;
- White persons – 18 percent;
- Asian persons – 9 percent;
- Other – 7 percent.

The race of those stops may reflect the demographic make-up of areas chosen for increased traffic patrols – based on the Rationale for Traffic Patrol on page 1 above. The stop data shows similar outcomes for each race group: 95 percent to 97 percent of stops for each racial group resulted in a citation; only one to two percent of stops for any racial group resulted in an arrest.

ACTION REQUESTED OF THE CITY COUNCIL

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For questions about this report, please contact Lieutenant Sean Fleming, OPD, Traffic Operations Section, at (510) 777-8637.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Anne E. Kirkpatrick FOR AK". The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned above a horizontal line.

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