

CITY OF OAKLAND
AGENDA REPORT

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To: Office of the City Administrator
Attn: Dan Lindheim
From: Police Department
Date: September 15, 2009

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 Three Hundred Twenty-Nine Thousand Seven Hundred Dollars (\$329,700) from the State of California, Office of Traffic Safety, for Implementation of the Fiscal Year 2010 Selective Traffic Enforcement 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 \$329,700 from the State of California, Office of Traffic Safety, for the fiscal year 2010 implementation of the Selective Traffic Enforcement Program. The proposed program period is October 1, 2009 through September 30, 2010. The funds will be used to provide supplemental law enforcement services and other innovative strategies to reduce the number of persons killed and injured in traffic collisions in Oakland.

FISCAL IMPACT

It is anticipated that the State of California, Office of Traffic Safety, shall approve the Police Department's Selective Traffic Enforcement Program application and award the City of Oakland up to \$329,700 in grant funds. Revenues and appropriations will be allocated in the State of California Grant Fund (2999), Strategic Area Command Division Org. (107510), Traffic Division Program (PS14), in a Project to be determined. There is no match requirement. Expense allocations are as follows:

Description and Use of Funds	Amount
Sworn & Civilian Personnel Overtime for Enforcement Operations	\$302,000
Travel	\$4,200
Phlebotomist (Blood Draws)	\$15,000
Checkpoint Supplies and Educational Materials	\$4,000
Computers and Camera Equipment	\$4,000
Printing / Duplication	\$500
Total	\$329,700

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Central Services Overhead (CSO) charges associated with the \$302,000 for salary and wages equals \$41,193, based on a 13.64% calculation rate. However, the granting agency specifically disallows CSO charges. Therefore, the Department requests a waiver for applicable Central Services Overhead charges.

BACKGROUND

Traffic safety remains one of the top three concerns of neighborhoods across the City. The officers assigned to the Traffic Enforcement Unit respond to accidents, focus on traffic concerns at hazardous intersections, respond to citizen complaints, participate in traffic awareness presentations to local groups, and conduct general traffic enforcement activities.

The Traffic Unit works in conjunction with the Police Service Area commanders and the Crime Prevention Teams (CRT) to address these quality of life issues by saturating locations plagued by unsafe traffic conditions and/or impaired or unlawful drivers.

KEY ISSUES AND IMPACTS

The continued enactment of the Selective Traffic Enforcement Program (STEP) will enable the Department to expand its traffic enforcement program to more readily address traffic related issues throughout the City of Oakland. The Department continues to experience difficulties related to the collection and analysis of traffic collisions and traffic enforcement data. Neither of these functions are adequately supported by the Department's records management systems. Further, as referenced in the chart below, the Department is only able to track a few of the essential traffic statistics for public safety and/or administrative purposes.

Collision Type	2005		2006		2007	
	Collisions	Victims	Collisions	Victims	Collisions	Victims
Fatal	24	24	30	30	32	33
Injury	1,624	2,011	2,027	2,365	1,621	2,005

Traffic Collision Data

	2005				2006				2007			
	Fatal	Injury	Killed	Injured	Fatal	Injury	Killed	Injured	Fatal	Injury	Killed	Injured
Alcohol Involved	5	52	6	86	11	59	9	84	7	70	7	67
Hit & Run	5	357	5	0	7	722	7	722	3	482	7	607
Nighttime 9:00 p.m. -3:00 a.m. Hours	9	224	9	322	12	399	14	1,197	13	212	14	265

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NOTE: The term “Fatal” refers to the number of vehicle collisions that resulted in a death. “Killed” refers to the number of persons who died as the result of fatal collisions. “Injury” refers to the number of injury accidents and “Injured” to the number of people hurt in vehicular accidents.

The Police Department’s STEP initiative is designed to employ law enforcement and other innovative strategies to reduce the number of persons killed and injured in traffic collisions. Current funded strategies include sidseshows and street racing abatement, Driving Under the Influence (DUI)/Driver’s License checkpoints and DUI roving patrols. Personnel assigned to the STEP initiative will also develop a “Hot Sheet” program, designed to notify patrol and traffic officers to be on the lookout for identified repeat offenders with suspended or revoked licenses as a result of traffic convictions.

SUSTAINABLE OPPORTUNITIES

Economic

Reckless driving, exhibitions of speed, unlicensed operation, DUI, and other traffic problems negatively impact property value and business opportunities. Efforts to address these problems will lead to improvements of these public safety issues.

Environmental

The toxic fumes produced by vehicles during sidseshows and street racing are a health hazard. Abating the problems will result in an improvement in air quality.

Equity

STEP efforts are focused on those who do not obey traffic safety regulations and are more likely to cause or be involved in a traffic accident.

DISABILITY AND SENIOR CITIZEN ACCESS

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

RECOMMENDATION

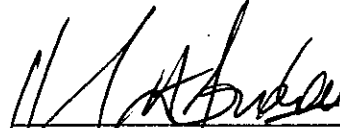
The Oakland Police Department recommends that the City Council authorize the City Administrator to accept grant funds in an amount not to exceed \$329,700 from the State of California, Office of Traffic Safety, and appropriate said funds to the Police Department.

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ACTION REQUESTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL

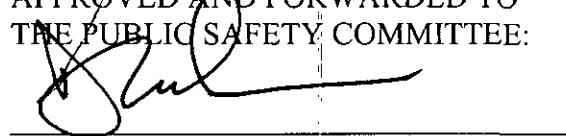
Staff recommends that the City Council approve the resolution.

Respectfully submitted,


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APPROVED AND FORWARDED TO
THE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE:

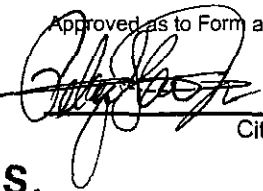

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Approved as to Form and Legality



City Attorney

2009 SEP -3 PM 5:59 RESOLUTION No. _____ C.M.S.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR, ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF OAKLAND, TO ACCEPT AND APPROPRIATE GRANT FUNDS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED THREE HUNDRED TWENTY-NINE THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$329,700) FROM THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA, OFFICE OF TRAFFIC SAFETY, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2010 IMPLEMENTATION OF THE SELECTIVE TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM IN THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, it is anticipated that the State of California, Office of Traffic Safety shall award the City of Oakland grant funds in an amount not to exceed \$329,700 to support the Oakland Police Department's implementation of the fiscal year 2010 Selective Traffic Enforcement Program; and

WHEREAS, the Selective Traffic Enforcement Program is geared toward offsetting the incidents of reckless driving and exhibitions of speed commonly referred to as Sideshows and Street Racing, perpetrated by unlicensed and impaired drivers that plague the City of Oakland and the greater San Francisco Bay Area; and

WHEREAS, the Selective Traffic Enforcement Program is designed to employ law enforcement and other innovative strategies to reduce the number of persons killed and injured in traffic collisions; and

WHEREAS, the City Council previously authorized acceptance of similar grant funds by Resolution No. 81223 C.M.S., dated April 15, 2008, Resolution No. 81708 C.M.S., dated December 9, 2008, Resolution No. 80578 C.M.S., dated May 15, 2007, and Resolution Number 80130 C.M.S., dated September 19, 2006; and

WHEREAS, the proposed grant does not allow for indirect costs (Central Services Overhead) charges in the amount of \$41,193, and the Department has requested a waiver of said charges; and

WHEREAS, these funds will be used to support the Police Department's efforts to enhance the services of the Department's Strategic Area Command Division; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the City Council hereby authorizes the City Administrator or his designee to accept and appropriate grant funds in an amount not to exceed \$329,700 from the State of California, Office of Traffic Safety, and to increase revenues and appropriate said budget to the Police Department; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That said grant shall be maintained in the State of California Grant Fund (2999), Strategic Area Command Division Org. (107510), Traffic Division Program (PS14), in a Project Account to be determined; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That Central Services Overhead costs in the amount of \$41,193 (13.64%) are hereby waived; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the City Council does hereby authorize the City Administrator or his designee to accept and appropriate grant funds in an amount not to exceed \$329,700 from the State of California, Office of Traffic Safety, to the Oakland Police Department, and to complete all required negotiations, certifications, assurances, and documentation required to accept, modify, extend and/or amend the grant.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, _____, 20____

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

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

NOES-

ABSENT-

ABSTENTION-

ATTEST: _____
LaTonda Simmons
City Clerk and Clerk of the
Council of the City of Oakland, California