

CITY OF OAKLAND

AGENDA REPORT

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To: Office of the City Administrator
Attn: Dan Lindheim
From: Oakland Police Department
Date: September 23, 2008

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 One Hundred Ninety -Four Thousand Nine Hundred Eighty -Nine Dollars and Fifty Cents (\$194,989.50) from the U.S. Department of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance, Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program to the Oakland Police Department to Supplement Frontline Policing Services and Partially Offset the Costs Associated with Marked Vehicle Replacements over Granting Period of July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009

SUMMARY

A resolution has been prepared authorizing the City Administrator, or his designee, on behalf of the City of Oakland, to accept and appropriate grant funds in an amount not to exceed \$194,989.50 from the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance, Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program (formerly the Local Law Enforcement Block Grant (LLEBG) Program,) to the Oakland Police Department to supplement frontline policing services, and partially offset the costs associated with marked vehicle replacements. The proposed program period is July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009.

FISCAL IMPACT

Approval of this resolution will authorize the application, acceptance, and appropriation of U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance Grant Program funds for the Police Department's JAG Program term of July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009, in an amount not to exceed \$194,989.50. Funding will be appropriated to the Federal Grant Fund (2112); Bureau of Administration Division Org (106110); Agency-wide Administration Program (PS01), in a project to be determined. Proposed expense allocations are to partially offset the costs of marked vehicle replacement.

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BACKGROUND

For the 13th year, the City of Oakland has been awarded funding from the U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance, Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program. The JAG grant combined the previous individual Edward Byrne and Local Law Enforcement Block Grant (LLEGB) programs to afford applicant agencies with additional flexibility to prioritize and place justice funds where they are needed most; namely, in alignment with frontline policing services.

At the Special Concurrent Meeting of the Oakland Redevelopment Agency and City Council – Fiscal Year 2008-2009 Mid-Cycle Policy Budget Review of June 11, 2008, the Public Works Agency presented a report discussing public safety vehicle replacement. The fiscal impact of the report provided that \$.7 million of the \$3.3 million needed to partially fund the replacement of the public safety vehicles would be used by the Community Oriented Policing (COPS) Grant Program, which will be awarded in October 2008, and the Justice Assistance Grant Program (JAG).

The Justice Assistance Grant Program for FY05-06 in the amount of \$361,185 to fund three civilian positions in the Crime Lab was accepted by Resolution No. 79378 C.M.S. Due to vacancies within the Crime Lab these funds were partially reprogrammed to meet the emerging needs of the Department. Specifically \$141,181 was used to fund the Forward-Looking Infrared Camera (FLIR) for the Department's helicopter and \$72,063 for the Field-based Reporting Project. Additionally Resolution No.79764 C.M.S., as amended by Resolution No. 80128 C.M.S, accepted the Justice Assistance Grant Program for FY06-07 in the amount of \$366,526 to fund three civilian positions in the Crime Lab and was amended to partially fund the In-Car Video Project. Again due to vacancies within the Crime Lab, \$74,083 was reprogrammed as part of the Field-based Reporting Project and \$26,599 was reprogrammed to fund the Forward-Looking Infrared Camera (FLIR).

KEY ISSUES AND IMPACTS

A vehicle replacement program is vitally important to maintaining a healthy fleet. The City will benefit from a vehicle replacement program by eliminating high-cost, maintenance intensive vehicles, thereby reducing vehicle "downtime." Additionally, the elimination of unnecessary spare vehicles that are no longer needed to fill in for vehicles undergoing recurring repairs will help the City achieve a more streamlined fleet, saving the City money.

Scheduled replacement of vehicles allows management to plan for vehicle maintenance, which in turn will provide an opportunity for the Public Works Agency to save in overtime costs. When vehicles are replaced too late, excessive funds are expended on maintenance and repairs with

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increased downtime and unreliability which affects the services provided by the Oakland Police Department.

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Public Works Agency is responsible for maintaining the Department's fleet and has developed expanded criteria for making replacement decisions by combining aspects of lifecycle costing time, and mileage. A system was developed to take into account not only mileage, age, and maintenance history, but also take a closer look at the specific mechanical systems and body components on each unit. Acceptance of the grant funds will partially offset the replacement of the vehicles fitting into this categorical distinction.

SUSTAINABLE OPPORTUNITIES

Social Equity: Maintaining a healthy fleet allows officers to perform their duties more efficiently, which helps to enhance public safety efforts throughout the City.

Economic: As vehicles age they become more costly to maintain and repair. Newer vehicles place less of a maintenance burden on City resources, and generally ensure greater vehicle availability for the Department, and decreased maintenance costs.

Environmental: Replacing vehicles and equipment at the end of their service life with new vehicles results in a fleet that uses fuel more efficiently because of continuing advances in automotive technology, thereby improving air quality.

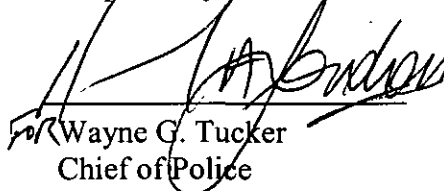
DISABILITY AND SENIOR CITIZEN ACCESS

There are no Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) or senior access issues contained in this report.

RECOMMENDATION / ACTION REQUESTED OF THE COUNCIL

Staff recommends acceptance of this report, and authorization for the City Administrator to accept and appropriate grant funds in an amount not to exceed \$194,989.50 from the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance, Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program to the Oakland Police Department to supplement frontline policing services, and partially offset the costs associated with marked vehicle replacements. The proposed program period is July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009.

Respectfully submitted,

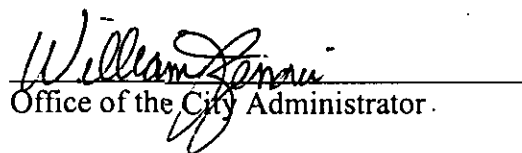


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APPROVED AND FORWARDED TO
THE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE:

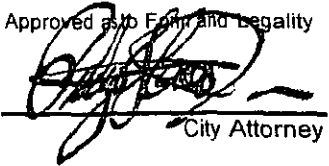


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RESOLUTION No. _____ C.M.S.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR, ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF OAKLAND, TO ACCEPT AND APPROPRIATE GRANT FUNDS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED ONE HUNDRED NINETY -FOUR THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED EIGHTY -NINE DOLLARS AND FIFTY CENTS (\$194,989.50) FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE PROGRAMS, BUREAU OF JUSTICE ASSISTANCE, EDWARD BYRNE MEMORIAL JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT (JAG) PROGRAM TO THE OAKLAND POLICE DEPARTMENT TO SUPPLEMENT FRONTLINE POLICING SERVICES AND PARTIALLY OFFSET THE COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH MARKED VEHICLE REPLACEMENTS OVER GRANTING PERIOD OF JULY 1, 2008 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2009

WHEREAS, it is anticipated that grant funds totaling up to \$194,989.50 will be received from the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program, for frontline policing services in the Police Department; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance, provides funding through the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program to units of local government for the purpose of reducing crime and improving public safety; and

WHEREAS, the proposed program period for the initiative is July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009; and

WHEREAS, the Government Code requires that the Chief of Police request the local jurisdiction's legislative body to appropriate said funds solely for frontline law enforcement services in accordance with the Chief's spending plan; and

WHEREAS, the proposed spending plan will partially offset the costs of marked vehicle replacement as presented to the City Council at its FY08-09 Mid-Cycle Policy Budget Review Meeting of June 11, 2008; and

WHEREAS, the sum of \$194,989.50 in FY 2008 Justice Assistance grant funds received must be allocated in accordance with the JAG spending plan; and

WHEREAS, the City Council previously authorized acceptance of similar grant funds by Resolution No. 80873 C.M.S. dated October 2, 2007, Resolution No. 79764 C.M.S. dated March 7, 2006, and Resolution No. 79378 C.M.S. dated July 19, 2005; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the Oakland City Council does hereby implement the provisions of the California Government Code by accepting and appropriating to the Oakland Police Department \$194,989.50 in Justice Assistance Grant funds; and be it

FURTHER 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 \$194,989.50 from the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance, Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program, to be allocated to the Federal Grant Fund (2112), Bureau of Administration Division Org (106110), Agency-wide Administration (PS01); and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the proposed spending plan will partially offset the costs of marked vehicle replacement as presented to the City Council at its FY08-09 Mid-Cycle Policy Budget Review Meeting of June 11, 2008; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the grant funds received for the Justice Assistance Grant Program shall not be used to supplant expenditures controlled by the City of Oakland; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the Oakland Police Department shall provide all required reports concerning the JAG funds as specified in the California Government Code, and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the City Administrator or his designee is authorized to complete all required negotiations, certifications, assurances, and documentation required to accept, modify, and extend this grant award, except for any increase in the award amount without returning to the City Council; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the City Attorney shall review and approve said grant agreement as to form and legality and a copy of the fully executed agreement shall be placed on file with the Office of the City Clerk.

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