



City of Sacramento City Council

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Meeting Date: 9/20/2011

Report Type: Consent

Title: Grant: California Office of Traffic Safety DUI Enforcement and Education Programs

Report ID: 2011-00789

Location: Citywide

Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager, or his designee, 1) to accept on behalf of the City of Sacramento, \$1.135 million in grant funding from the State of California, Office of Traffic Safety (OTS) to implement DUI Enforcement (\$735,000) and DUI Education grant programs (\$400,000); 2) to establish grant projects for the DUI Enforcement Grant Program (#G11009400) in the amount of \$735,000 and the DUI Education Grant Program (#G11009500) in the amount of \$400,000; 3) to adjust the necessary grant expense and revenue budgets in an amount not to exceed \$1.135 million.

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Presenter: None

Department: Police

Division:

Dept ID:

Attachments:

- 1- Description/Analysis
- 2- Background OTS Grant Funding
- 3- Resolution OTS Grant Funding

City Attorney Review

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Description/Analysis

Issue: The Office of Traffic Safety (OTS) provides grant opportunities for local governments to fund traffic safety programs. Last year, OTS awarded approximately \$1.12 million in grants to the City of Sacramento to fund DUI enforcement, media and intervention programs. Grant funding from OTS has had a significant impact upon citywide traffic safety. During the last four years, the number of alcohol-involved collisions on City of Sacramento streets has continued to decrease. In calendar year 2010, alcohol-related injury collisions on Sacramento City streets decreased by 37.4 percent as compared to 2007 levels. Consequently, in 2011, the Police Department applied for and was awarded \$1.135 million in OTS competitive grants to implement two grant-funded programs: a DUI Enforcement and Awareness Program and a DUI Education and Deterrence Program. The terms of both these grants are for one year, beginning October 1, 2011 and ending on September 30, 2012.

Policy Considerations: The City of Sacramento has previously accepted grant awards from the OTS to implement traffic safety programs. OTS has provided funding for programs such as the DUI Enforcement Team, DUI Checkpoints, DUI Brief Intervention Program and the Anti-DUI Media Campaign. The acceptance of this funding is consistent with past practices of using grant funding to increase public safety. In addition, City Council Resolution #2011-391 requires City Council approval to accept grant funding, establish a grant project, and appropriate funding when the grant award is in excess of \$100,000.

Environmental Considerations:

California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA): Ongoing administrative maintenance activities, such as purchases of supplies, equipment or materials, do not constitute a “project” and are exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). CEQA Guidelines, Sections 15061(b)(3) and 15378(b)(2).

Commission/Committee Action: Not Applicable.

Rationale for Recommendation: Of the thirteen largest metropolitan cities in California, the City of Sacramento has consistently had the highest rate of fatal and injury traffic collisions based on population and the average number of vehicle miles driven. Alcohol-related collisions, in particular, continue to result in tragic consequences. In 2009, the City of Sacramento had the highest rate of occurrence for alcohol-related fatalities and injuries in the State of California.

In February 2011, the Police Department submitted new OTS applications for the upcoming grant Fiscal Year beginning October 1, 2010. The City’s current OTS grant programs will expire on September 30, 2011. The two grant proposals that were funded by OTS focus on: 1) DUI enforcement and impaired driving; and 2) DUI media and education. The rationale for these programs is to increase DUI enforcement, compliance and education throughout the Sacramento region. The new DUI Enforcement Grant provides funding to continue the OTS funded DUI team, which is comprised of three Officers and one Sergeant. In addition, the OTS DUI Education grant provides funding to continue the OTS funded program manager position.

Financial Considerations: The Sacramento Police Department is recommending City Council approval to accept \$1.135 million dollars in grant funding to implement two separate grant awards. The first award for \$735,000 focuses on DUI enforcement and will fund a full-time DUI team in the City of Sacramento. The second award for \$400,000 will fund a DUI media campaign and jail intake nurses. In summary, \$1.135 million in grant funding will continue to fund four sworn officer positions, including overtime, benefits and supplies associated with traffic safety enforcement and will fund all costs associated with the implementation of the DUI education program, including all program management expenses. The OTS Grant Program has a term of one-year beginning October 1, 2011 and ending on September 30, 2012. There are no match requirements for the grant and the grant will have no impact on the General Fund.

Emerging Small Business Development (ESBD): The purchase of supplies and equipment will be made in accordance with the City's Emerging and Small Business Development (E/SBD) program requirements whenever possible.



Background

Of the thirteen largest metropolitan cities in California, the City of Sacramento has consistently experienced the highest rate of fatal and injury traffic collisions based on population and average number of vehicle miles driven. Alcohol-related collisions, in particular, continue to result in tragic consequences. Based on the Office of Traffic Safety statewide rankings, in 2009, the City of Sacramento had the highest rate of alcohol-related fatalities and injuries within the State of California.

The Office of Traffic Safety (OTS) provides grant opportunities for local governments to fund traffic safety programs. In 2010, OTS awarded approximately \$1.12 million in grants to the City of Sacramento to fund DUI enforcement, media and intervention programs. OTS currently funds a full-time DUI Enforcement Team and DUI checkpoints within the City of Sacramento. In addition, OTS funded a comprehensive Anti-DUI Media Campaign and DUI interventions at the Sacramento County Jail.

Grant funding from OTS has resulted in a significant impact upon citywide traffic safety. In calendar year 2010, alcohol-related injury collisions on Sacramento City streets, excluding freeways and highways, decreased by 37.4 percent as compared to 2007 levels. The current grant programs funded by OTS will expire September 30, 2010. In anticipation, the Police Department submitted several new grant proposals to OTS in February 2011 to request funding for DUI enforcement and DUI education programs.

In July 2011, the Office of Traffic Safety awarded the City of Sacramento \$1.135 million to continue its DUI Enforcement and Education programs. OTS awarded the City of Sacramento \$735,000 for DUI enforcement to continue the grant-funded DUI Team, and \$400,000 for DUI Education and Deterrence. Both grants will be in place for one year beginning October 1, 2011 through September 30, 2012. The DUI Enforcement Grant will fund four full-time sworn positions, overtime, benefits and supplies associated with traffic safety enforcement. The DUI Education and Deterrence program will fund the costs associated with implementing a DUI media campaign and jail intake nurses, including program management expenses. Both proposals are 100 percent grant-funded.



RESOLUTION NO.

Adopted by the Sacramento City Council

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT FUNDS FROM THE CALIFORNIA OFFICE OF TRAFFIC SAFETY TO CONDUCT CITYWIDE DUI ENFORCEMENT AND TRAFFIC SAFETY EDUCATION PROGRAMS

BACKGROUND

- A. In 2010, the Office of Traffic Safety (OTS) awarded the City of Sacramento approximately \$1.12 million in grants to fund Driving under the Influence (DUI) enforcement, media, intervention and traffic safety programs. The current grant programs funded by OTS are set to expire on September 30, 2011.
- B. In 2011, the Sacramento Police Department submitted new grant proposals to the California Office of Traffic Safety requesting funding for DUI traffic safety and education programs. In July 2011, the Office of Traffic Safety awarded the City of Sacramento \$1.135 million in grant funding to implement these traffic safety programs.

BASED ON THE FACTS SET FORTH IN THE BACKGROUND, THE CITY COUNCIL RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

- Section 1. The City Manager, or his designee, is authorized to accept a grant award in the amount of up to \$1.135 million, on behalf of the City of Sacramento, from the California, Office of Traffic Safety, including any extensions or amendments thereof, to implement the DUI Enforcement Grant Program (\$735,000) and the DUI Education Grant Program (\$400,000).
- Section 2. The City Manager, or his designee, is hereby authorized to establish grant projects for the FY2011/12 OTS programs, DUI Enforcement Grant Program (#G11009400) and the DUI Education Grant Program (#G11009500).
- Section 3. The City Manager, or his designee, is authorized to make the necessary grant expense and revenue budget adjustments to implement the \$1.135 million OTS grants.