

Meeting Date: 8/25/2015

Report Type: Consent

Report ID: 2015-00740

Title: Fiscal Year 2015/16 Office of Traffic Safety Selective Traffic Enforcement Program Grant (PT1684)

Location: Citywide

Recommendation: Pass a Resolution authorizing the City Manager or the City Manager's designee to: 1) accept a grant award of \$494,500 from the California Office of Traffic Safety; 2) establish the Selective Traffic Enforcement Program (STEP) operating grant project (G11013800); 3) establish a \$494,500 revenue and expenditure budget in G11013800; and 4) delete the three Police Officer full-time equivalent (FTE) positions and one FTE Police Sergeant position previously maintained by Resolution 2014-0308.

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Presenter: None

Department: Police

Division: Metro-Traffic/Air Ops

Dept ID: 11001141

Attachments:

1-Description/Analysis

2-Resolution

City Attorney Review

Approved as to Form

Michael Fry

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Approvals/Acknowledgements

Department Director or Designee: Sam Somers - 8/5/2015 11:00:45 AM

Description/Analysis

Issue: The California Office of Traffic Safety (OTS) has awarded \$494,500 to the Sacramento Police Department (SPD) in federal grant funding to participate in the Selective Traffic Enforcement Program (STEP). The term of this grant is for one federal fiscal year, beginning October 1, 2015 and ending September 30, 2016. This year's award discontinued funding to support four Full Time Equivalent (FTE) positions, previously authorized and maintained by Resolution 2014-0308, and has been limited to overtime and service and supply expenses only.

Policy Considerations: The recommendations in this report are consistent with City Council Resolution 2015-0169, which requires City Council authorization to accept and implement grant awards of \$100,000 or more.

Economic Impact: None.

Environmental Considerations:

California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA): As defined in the CEQA Guidelines, this proposal does not constitute a "project" and is therefore exempt, per Sections 15031(b)(3) and 15378(a).

Sustainability Considerations: Not applicable.

Commission/Committee Action: Not applicable.

Rationale for Recommendation: The primary purpose of the grant is "to reduce the number of persons killed and injured in crashes involving alcohol and other primary collision factors" by implementing "best practice strategies" including, but not limited to, Driving Under the Influence (DUI) checkpoints, DUI saturation patrols, warrant service operations, and stakeout operations.

Of the 13 largest metropolitan cities in California as reported by OTS, the City of Sacramento has the fourth highest incidence of alcohol-related collisions resulting in fatality or injury. Among drivers under age 21, the City has the third highest ranking of fatal/injury collisions. Although these rankings appear high, they show marked improvement for the City when compared to OTS' 2008 traffic rankings, when Sacramento had the highest reported incidence of alcohol-related collisions, and had the second highest frequency of all collisions.

By accepting this grant, the SPD will have funding to continue overtime operations with a specific focus on traffic safety strategies that incorporate both educational and enforcement efforts.

Financial Considerations: This award of \$494,500 will primarily provide funding for overtime to conduct driving-under-the-influence (DUI) and traffic enforcement operations. Additional activities to be supported with the grant include media materials, travel expenses, and supplies necessary to achieve the grant goals and objectives.

Previous year STEP grant awards have provided funding for three FTE Police Officers and one FTE Sergeant (Resolution 2014-0308). This year's grant award did not include funding for these four positions and as a result, these positions will be eliminated. The SPD has adequate vacancies to accommodate the employees that occupied these positions.

There are no requirements for cost match, retention, or maintenance of effort to receive this award. The SPD has adequate resources to implement the award without adverse impact to its operating budget.

Local Business Enterprise (LBE): Not applicable.

RESOLUTION NO.

Adopted by the Sacramento City Council

[DATE]

Fiscal Year (FY) 2015/16 Office of Traffic Safety Selective Traffic Enforcement Program Grant (PT1684)

BACKGROUND

- A. The primary purpose of the grant award is “to reduce the number of persons killed and injured in crashes involving alcohol and other primary collision factors” by implementing “best practice strategies” including, but not limited to, Driving Under the Influence (DUI) checkpoints, DUI saturation patrols, warrant service operations, and stakeout operations.
- B. This year’s award discontinued funding for the salary and benefit costs of the four Full Time Equivalent (FTE) positions, previously authorized and maintained by Resolution 2014-0308, and has been limited to reimbursement for overtime expenses and service and supply expenses only.
- C. By accepting this grant award, the Sacramento Police Department will have funded support to continue overtime operations with a specific focus on traffic safety strategies that incorporate both educational and enforcement efforts.

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

- Section 1. The City Manager, or the City Manager’s designee, is authorized to accept a grant award of \$494,500 from the California Office of Traffic Safety;
- Section 2. The City Manager, or the City Manager’s designee, is authorized to establish the Selective Traffic Enforcement Program operating grant project (G11013800);
- Section 3. The City Manager, or the City Manager’s designee, is authorized to establish a \$494,500 revenue and expenditure budget in G11013800 to implement the grant award; and
- Section 4. The City Manager, or the City Manager’s designee, is authorized to delete the three Police Officer FTE positions and one Police Sergeant FTE position previously maintained by Resolution 2014-0308.