



Agenda Report

TO: City Council

Date: June 19, 2001

FROM: City Manager

SUBJECT: Support of Senate Bill 27 (Brulte) – Law Enforcement Technology Grants.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the City Council:

- Support Senate Bill 27 (Brulte) – Law Enforcement Technology Grants.
- Authorize the Mayor to send letters to the appropriate authorities stating Pasadena's position.

BILL SUMMARY:

This bill will continue important technology grant funding for local law enforcement agencies for the acquisition of technology related items for the purpose of enhancing public safety.

BACKGROUND:

During fiscal year 2000, the California Legislature appropriated and funded the Supplemental Law Enforcement Services Fund. These funds were provided to law enforcement agencies for the sole purpose of acquiring technology-related items for the purpose of enhancing public safety.

Last year, these funds provided the City of Pasadena \$149,743.00. These funds were put aside and will be combined with the 2001 allocation for the eventual replacement of the Computer Aided Dispatch and Records Management System (CAD/RMS). This is a

critical and expensive high tech component of the police department and would be extremely difficult to obtain without S.L.E.S.F. funds.

- This bill will appropriate funds in the annual Budget Act for the purpose of funding technology grants and technology-related acquisitions to enhance public safety.
- This bill will require the Controller to allocate funds on a per capita basis ensuring that no county sheriff, city police chief, contract city, or special district receives less than one hundred thousand dollars.

FISCAL IMPACT

This bill provides for a minimum of \$100,000.00 of State funding to the Pasadena Police Department and requires no matching funds.

Respectfully submitted,

for Cynthia J. Kurtz

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