

Agenda Report

TO:

CITY COUNCIL

DATE:

December 12, 2005

THROUGH: FINANCE COMMITTEE

FROM:

CITY MANAGER

SUBJECT:

RECOGNITION AND APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS RECEIVED

FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE - JUSTICE

ASSISTANCE GRANT PROGRAM TO ENHANCE LOCAL LAW

ENFORCEMENT

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the City Council:

- 1. Approve a journal voucher to recognize and appropriate \$18,434 in grant revenue from the U.S. Department of Justice - Justice Assistance Grant Program (JAG) to the Police Department operating budget account 107-401600 (Local Law Enforcement Block Grant).
- 2. Approve a journal voucher to appropriate \$121,222 from the Local Law Enforcement Block Grant unappropriated fund balance to the Police Department operating budget account 107-401600.
- 3. Amend the name of the Local Law Enforcement Block Grant Fund 107 to the Justice Assistance Grant Fund (JAG).

BACKGROUND

Annually since 1996, the Police Department has been awarded grants through the U. S. Department of Justice - Local Law Enforcement Block Grant (LLEBG) program. This LLEBG funding has been primarily utilized in support of staffing for the Youth Accountability Board, funding a police corporal and police specialist Il who coordinates services to that program.

In an effort to streamline grant management, the U.S. Department of Justice consolidated a number of grants, including the LLEBG, into the newly established Justice Assistance Grant Program (JAG). In March 2005, staff submitted an

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application for JAG funding. Recently, the Department of Justice notified staff that a grant has been awarded in the amount of \$76, 434. It is staff's intention to utilize these funds to continue support to the Youth Accountability Board.

As an award was again anticipated for this year, \$58,000 was previously recognized as projected revenue as part of the fiscal year 2006 approved operating budget. The \$58,000 revenue projection was based upon last years awarded amount. As this years amount was slightly higher, this recommendation serves to recognize the additional \$18,434 that was awarded.

In addition, approval of the recommendations will provide sufficient appropriations to support the two FTE's through the remainder of the fiscal year. Sufficient funding exists in the LLEBG unappropriated fund balance for this purpose.

FISCAL IMPACT

Approval of this recommendation will increase the Local Law Enforcement Block Grant/Justice Assistance Grant Fund fiscal year 2006 revenues by \$18,434 and increase appropriations by \$139,656, which will exhaust funds in this account. It is anticipated that future grant funding will be insufficient to support the existing two FTE's for the Youth Accountability Board in future fiscal years. The police department will explore the options of other sources to maintain current funding level.

Respectfully submitted,

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