

Agenda Report

October 16, 2017

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council
FROM: Pasadena Police Department
**SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF STATE OFFICE OF TRAFFIC SAFETY (OTS),
SELECTIVE TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM (STEP) GRANT
REVENUES TO CONDUCT DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE
EDUCATION AND ENFORCEMENT PROGRAMS**

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

- 1) Find that acceptance of this grant is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act pursuant to state CEQA guidelines Article 19, Categorical Exemption section 15323; and
- 2) Authorize the City Manager to enter into an agreement with the State of California for acceptance of these funds.

BACKGROUND:

OTS has awarded \$415,000 to the Pasadena Police Department to conduct Driving Under the Influence checkpoints along with speed education and enforcement programs. In addition, the grant provides funding for the purchase of equipment and to provide training related to DUI enforcement and education. The grant period runs from October 1, 2017 through September 30, 2018. No matching funds are required. These checkpoints are valuable in reducing incidents related to persons driving under the influence.

The grant provides funds for the following programs and training:

1. Enforcement details to include 8 Checkpoints (stationary), 11 DUI Saturation Patrols (roving), 2 Warrant Service Operations, 4 Know Your Limit Programs and Special Enforcement details to include 5 Distracted Driver Programs, 3 Motorcycle Safety Programs, 12 Traffic Enforcement Programs targeting primary collision factor violations, and 5 programs in high bicycle and pedestrian traffic areas at a cost of \$337,000.
2. Training and travel expenses to attend Advanced Roadside Impaired Driving Enforcement (FST), Drug Recognition Expert (DRE) and Accident Scene Investigation Seminars. Pasadena Police personnel will be trained at a cost of \$4,000.
3. Other Direct Costs will include a Traffic Collision Reconstruction System, Laptop Computer and Phlebotomist services at a cost of \$74,000.

The grant funds are already included in the current year's operating budget. The action requested by way of this report is to authorize the City Manager to execute the related grant agreement.

COUNCIL POLICY CONSIDERATION:

The proposed action is consistent with the City Council's Strategic Plan Goal to ensure public safety.

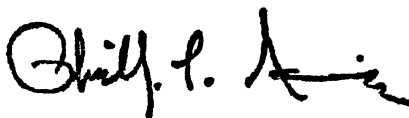
ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS:

The action is categorically exempt from CEQA pursuant to State CEQA Article 19, The Categorical Exemptions section 15323 (Normal Operations of Facilities for Public Gatherings).

FISCAL IMPACT:

Funding from this grant has been appropriated as part of the Fiscal Year 2018 Operating Budget.

Respectfully Submitted,



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