



Council Communication No. 97-243

SYNOPSIS –

The Council appointed the membership of the Advisory Board, accepted the Advisory Board charge, and approved the proposed Advisory Board schedule of events at the Council's March 24, 1997, meeting. The Advisory Board held their first meeting on April 9, 1997 to review the grant application. The Advisory Board's second meeting and public hearing was held on April 24, 1997 at 9 AM at the Des Moines Police Academy. The Advisory Board heard public comment and prepared a report of non-binding recommendations on the Police Department's proposed use of grant funds.

FISCAL IMPACT –

The total grant award is in the amount of \$291,931, which includes the Local Law Enforcement Block Grant award of \$262,738 and the use of \$29,193 in forfeited funds for local match. The grant application purpose area for which the Police Department applied was "Law enforcement support for procuring equipment, technology, and other material directly related to basic law enforcement functions."

RECOMMENDATION –

Receive and adopt the Advisory Board's report and authorize the Mayor Pro Tem to sign the Federal Follow-up Information Form for submission to the Bureau of Justice Assistance.

BACKGROUND –

Council approved the grant application and authorized the Mayor to sign, on behalf of the City, any and all assurances and legal certifications pertaining to this grant at the July 1, 1996, Council meeting, by Roll Call No. 96-2508.

Council established and appointed the membership of the Advisory Board, accepted the Advisory Board charge, and approved the proposed Advisory Board schedule of events at the March 24, 1997, Council meeting, by Roll Call No. 97-994.