

**CITY COUNCIL
COMMUNICATION:**

ITEM _____

**OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER
CITY OF DES MOINES, IOWA**

98-288

SYNOPSIS —

AGENDA:
JULY 13, 1998

The Police Department has prepared a grant application for the 1998 Local Law Enforcement Block Grant Program for submission to the Bureau of Justice Assistance to fund the procurement of equipment, technology and other material directly related to supporting basic law enforcement functions. The application requires the signature of the Mayor, and the Mayor's signature on the application represents the City's acceptance of the conditions set forth in the Assurances, Certification Regarding Lobbying; Debarment, Suspension and Other Responsibility Matters; and Drug-Free Workplace Requirements and Certification Regarding Public Safety Officer Health Benefits.

SUBJECT:
GRANT
APPLICATION—
1998 LOCAL LAW
ENFORCEMENT
BLOCK GRANT
PROGRAM

TYPE:
**RESOLUTION
ORDINANCE
RECEIVE/FILE**

FISCAL IMPACT –

SUBMITTED BY:
WILLIAM
MOULDER
CHIEF OF POLICE

The City is eligible for a total grant award in the amount of \$315,010, which includes the federal 1998 Local Law Enforcement Block Grant Award of \$283,509, and \$31,501 of asset forfeiture funds to meet the 10 percent local matching funds requirement.

RECOMMENDATION –

Council acceptance of the conditions set forth in the Assurances and Certifications, with Council authorization for the Mayor to sign the Grant Application on behalf of the City.

BACKGROUND –

The City applied for and received a total grant award in the amount of \$291,931 from Omnibus Fiscal Year 1996 Appropriations Act (Public Law 104-134) through the Local

Law Enforcement Block Grant Program during 1996, Council Communication No. 96-291, Roll Call No. 96-2508, July 15, 1996. Funds were used to purchase a terminal for the Automated Fingerprint Index System, computers, digital phones, and portable radios.

The City applied for and received a total grant award in the amount of \$307,084 from the Omnibus Fiscal Year 1997 Appropriations Act (Public Law 104-208) through the Local Law Enforcement Block Grant Program during 1997, Council Communication No. 97-327, Roll Call No. 97-2086, June 16, 1997. Funds are being obligated to purchase ten marked patrol cars to replace the original 24-hour cars, an Evidence Tracking System, bomb suit, and computers for Criminal Investigation Division and the Police Academy.

For 1998, the Police Department is reviewing several projects and developing a list of unfunded technology and equipment to complete specific operating systems and applications. The list is to be presented to the Advisory Board for their review process and report to the Council.