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AGENDA:

AUGUST 25, 2003

SUBJECT:

LOCAL LAW
ENFORCEMENT
BLOCK GRANT
PROGAM

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RESOLUTION
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SUBMITTED BY:

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

SYNOPSIS —

The Police Department has prepared a grant application for the 2003 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.

FISCAL IMPACT —

The City is eligible for a total grant award in the amount of \$167,303 which includes the federal 2003 Local Law Enforcement Block Grant award of \$150,573 and \$16,730 of asset forfeiture funds to meet the 10 percent local matching funds requirement.

RECOMMENDATION —

Council authorization to proceed with the electronic application process and for signatures of appropriate personnel, as required by 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 the 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 were used to purchase 10 marked patrol cars to replace the original 24-hour cars, an Evidence Tracing System, bomb suit and computers for Criminal Investigation Division and the Police Academy.

The City applied for and received a total grant award in the amount of

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\$315,010 from the Omnibus Fiscal Year 1998 Appropriations Act (Public Law 105-119) through the Local Law Enforcement Block Grant program during 1998, Council Communication No. 98-288, Roll Call No. 98-2215, July 13, 1998. Funds were used to purchase a Fire Arms Training System, new rifles, shotguns and protective vests for the Patrol Division, a digital camera system for the Identification Section and a Doppler Radar terminal for the Communication Center.

The City applied for and received a total grant award in the amount of \$306,567 from the Omnibus Fiscal Year 1999 Appropriations Act (Public Law 105-277) through the Local Law Enforcement Block Grant Program during 1999, Council Communication No. 99-369, Roll Call No. 99-2650, August 23, 1999. Funds were used to purchase an automated telephone community notification system, update information technology systems in the Criminal Investigation and Administrative Services Divisions, as well as personal protective equipment for all sworn police officers.

The City Applied for and received a total grant award in the amount of \$297,418 from the Omnibus Fiscal Year 2000 Appropriations Act (Public Law 106-113) through the Local Law Enforcement Block Grant Program during 2000 Council Communication No. 00-421, Roll Call No. 00-3695, September 11, 2000. Funds were dedicated to the new Computer Assisted Dispatch Center and Records Management System.

The City Applied for and received a total grant award in the amount of \$307,453 from the Omnibus Fiscal Year 2001 Appropriations Act (Public Law 106-553) through the Local Law Enforcement Block Grant Program during 2001 Council Communication No. 01-351, Roll Call No. 01-2109, July 9, 2001. Funds were used for the new Computer Assisted Dispatch Center and Records Management System, as well as upgrading computer technology throughout the Police Department.

The City applied for and received a total grant award in the amount of \$243,451 from the Omnibus Fiscal Year 2002 Appropriations Act (Public Law 106-553) through the Local Law Enforcement Block Grant Program during 2002 Council Communication No. 02-348, Roll Call No. 02-1698, July 8, 2002. Funds were dedicated to the new Computer Assisted Dispatch Center and Records Management System.

For 2003 the Police Department is developing a list of non-funded technology and equipment upgrades to apply to specific operating systems and applications. This list is to be presented to the Advisory Board for their review process and report to Council.

