

**CITY COUNCIL  
COMMUNICATION:**

**03-511**

**AGENDA:**

OCTOBER 20, 2003

**SUBJECT:**

LOCAL LAW  
ENFORCEMENT  
BLOCK GRANT  
PROGRAM

**TYPE:**

**RESOLUTION**  
ORDINANCE  
RECEIVE/FILE

**SUBMITTED BY:**

WILLIAM MCCARTHY  
CHIEF OF POLICE

**ITEM\_\_\_\_\_**

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

**SYNOPSIS —**

The City of Des Moines applied for and received a grant award from the Bureau of Justice Assistance, through the Local Law Enforcement Block Grant (LLEBG) Program. The grant award and special conditions require that the City (1) establish an Advisory Board authorized to make non-binding recommendations to the local unit of government; (2) accept the suggested Advisory Board charge as written; and (3) approve the proposed schedule of Advisory Board events to include a public hearing to receive comment on the proposed use of the grant award. These special conditions must be met before the City may obligate any of the grant funds.

**FISCAL IMPACT —**

The total grant award is in the amount of \$167,303, which includes the 2003 LLEBG award of \$150,573, and the use of \$16,730 in forfeited funds for local match. The grant would provide law enforcement support for procuring equipment, technology, and other material directly related to basic law enforcement functions.

**RECOMMENDATION —**

- **Establish and appoint the membership of the Advisory Board.**
- **Accept the suggested Advisory Board charge as written.**
- **Approve the proposed schedule of Advisory Board events.**

**BACKGROUND —**

The Council approved the grant application and authorized the Police Department to proceed with the grant application process at the August 25, 2003, Council meeting by Roll Call No. 03-1978, Item 40.

This would be the eighth award received by the City of Des Moines from the Bureau of Justice Assistance under the LLEBG Program.

