



**Council
Communication**
Office of the City Manager

Date 10/22/2007

Agenda Item No. 29
Roll Call No. 07-
Communication No. 07-620
Submitted by: Judy Bradshaw, Chief of Police

AGENDA HEADING:

2007 COPS Secure Our Schools Grant Award Approval

SYNOPSIS:

Recommend approval of the COPS Secure Our Schools Grant through the U.S. Department of Justice in the amount of \$250,000. City Council approval is required to authorize the Mayor and Chief of Police to sign and accept the award. The funding will bring state of the art security systems to Des Moines schools.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$500,000 (estimated)

Funding Source: FY2007-2008 Operating Budget, Page 288-Special Revenue Funds, SP751, POL981501.

The grant is for a two-year period from 09-01-07 through 08-31-09. The grant will fund up to 50% of the total cost to implement the program. The School District has agreed to provide the rest of the funding with the Police Department responsible for the administration of the grant.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

At the June 04, 2007 Council Meeting under Roll Call No. 07-1087, Council Communication No. 07-310, Item 44, Council approved a \$250,000.00 grant application through the Department of Justice, Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) office, 2007 COPS Secure Our Schools Grant program to request funding which would bring state of the art security systems to Des Moines Schools. The systems would include card entry readers, exterior security lighting, motion detection, security cameras and double cylinder locks. These systems will be installed in all of the middle schools and a few of the elementary schools. The Des Moines Independent School District will be making the decision of what elementary schools will be receiving these improvements.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION (S):

Date: June 04, 2007

Roll Call Number: 07-1087

Action: 2007 COPS Secure Our Schools Grant Application. (Council Communication No. 07-310)
Moved by Vlassis to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.

Date: June 06, 2005

Roll Call Number: 05-1409

Action: 2005 COPS Secure Our Schools Grant Application for a surveillance system at Des Moines area high schools. (Council Communication No. 05-317) Moved by Hensley to approve. Motion Carried 7-0.

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE