



Council Communication

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Agenda Item No. 31

Roll Call No. ~~08-~~

Communication No. 08-560

Submitted by: **Judy A. Bradshaw, Chief of Police**

AGENDA HEADING:

Approving and authorizing the execution of the 2008 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant.

SYNOPSIS:

Recommend approval to accept the 2008 Justice Assistance Grant in the amount of \$79,719 for Law Enforcement Service Improvements. Authorize and direct the Mayor to sign the grant award agreement and the City Manager or his designee to implement the grant award.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$79,719. There is no match requirement for this grant.

Funding Source: U. S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Grant proceeds will be posted to 2008-2009 Operating Budget, Page 284-Special Revenue Funds, SP751, POL984120.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

On July 14, 2008, the Des Moines City Council approved the 2008 Justice Assistance Grant application and the Memorandum of Understanding with Polk County. The City of Des Moines is the official applicant and fiscal agent. The application has two major components.

In response to the recent flooding events, the Des Moines Police Department proposed a joint alternate dispatch site initiative that would also benefit the Polk County Sheriff's Office Communications Center. The project would fund four computer aided dispatch workstations; two of which would be located at Des Moines Fire Station #1 and two at the Polk County Communications Center. This will allow for a seamless transition between agencies should the need arise to provide additional work stations for both agencies in an emergency situation. The installation of a radio control station that will interface between the Sheriff's office and Des Moines' public safety radio station will also be initiated.

In addition, computer upgrades will be implemented in the digital darkroom of the Police Department's forensic lab. As camera equipment and capabilities increase, the need for storage has increased. A desktop computer with additional memory, digital processing software to import and resize fingerprint photos and DVD burning software are included in the grant request.

The grant period is from October 1, 2007 to September 30, 2011.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: July 14, 2008

Roll Call Number: 08-1220

Action: Application to 2008 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program for period of October 1, 2007 to September 30, 2011 and Memorandum of Understanding with Polk County. (Council Communication No. 08-409) Moved by Mahaffey to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0

Date: June 18, 2007

Roll Call Number: 07-1182

Action: 2007 Justice Assistance Grant Application and Memorandum of Understanding with Polk County. (Council Communication No. 07-355) Moved by Coleman to approve. Motion Carried 6-1.

Date: February 20, 2006

Roll Call Number: 06-361

Action: Justice Assistance Grant award from the Office of Justice, \$101,323. (Council Communication No. 06-079)

) Moved by Hensley to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.

Date: March 28, 2005

Roll Call Number: 05-742

Action: Justice Assistance Grant Memorandum of Understanding for grant period from October 1, 2004 – September 30, 2008, \$211,816. (Council Communication No. 05-125) Moved by Hensley to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE

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