

 <p style="text-align: center;">Council Communication Office of the City Manager</p>	Date: June 24, 2013
	Agenda Item No. 27 Roll Call No. [] Communication No. <u>13-340</u> Submitted by: Judy A. Bradshaw, Chief of Police

AGENDA HEADING:

Approval to apply for the 2013 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) and acceptance of the Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Des Moines and Polk County.

SYNOPSIS:

Recommend approval of the application for the 2013 JAG, which will be submitted jointly with Polk County. The funds applied for will be utilized by both entities to purchase forensic law enforcement equipment that will assist in the policing of our communities and the processing of case related evidence. A requirement of the application process is the submittal of an accepted Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Des Moines and Polk County, which names the City as the official applicant and the fiscal agent for the grant.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$155,827.00; the City of Des Moines is allocated \$143,494.00 and Polk County is allocated \$12,333.00

Funding Source: The grant requires, a new organization code be employed to track all financial transactions. The grant, if awarded, will be grouped in with Police Federal grants and utilized the fund code of SP751, Operating Budget for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2013, page 225.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

The Des Moines Police Department is in the process of redesigning the forensic evidence examination area and the evidence processing bays of the police station. The new spaces will offer the evidence processing technicians a more appropriate working environment. This redesign will encompass staged work areas specifically designed to incorporate the necessary space, light, and equipment for the collection, processing, and securing of evidence. We are applying for funding through the 2013 JAG to make the necessary purchases.

The redesign of these areas will incorporate additional space to be designated for the storage of collected and processed evidence. Additional shelving will be needed for long term storage. As an example, evidence in a homicide case must be retained for the lifetime of the defendant in the event of an appeal. Storage of this evidence must be in a secure, controlled access environment.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: May 7, 2012

Roll Call Number: [12-0711](#)

Action: [2012](#) Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Application submittal and acceptance of the Memorandum of Understanding with Polk County. ([Council Communication No. 12-207](#)) Moved by Hensley to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.

Date: July 11, 2011

Roll Call Number: [11-1211](#)

Action: [2011](#) Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Formula Program: Local Solicitation grant application and Memorandum of Understanding with Polk County, \$215,723. ([Council Communication No. 11-450](#)) Moved by Meyer to approve. Motion Carried 7-0.

Date: June 28, 2010

Roll Call Number: [10-1033](#)

Action: [Justice](#) Assistance Grant (JAG) application by the Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, and Memorandum of Understanding with Polk County, for joint grant to be used for various law enforcement purposes, for October 1, 2009 through Sept 30, 2013, (City's share is \$278,844 and County's share is \$20,013). ([Council Communication No. 10-373](#)) Moved by Hensley to approve. Motion Carried 7-0.

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE

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