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	Agenda Item No.	42
	Roll Call No.	<u>15-832</u>
	Communication No.	<u>15-266</u>
	Submitted by:	Dana Wingert, Chief of Police

AGENDA HEADING:

Approval to apply for the Fiscal Year (FY)2015 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) and acceptance of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the City of Des Moines, The City of West Des Moines, and Polk County.

SYNOPSIS:

The Des Moines Police Department recommends approval of the application for the 2015 JAG which will be submitted jointly with the City of West Des Moines. The funds applied for will be utilized by both entities, to purchase law enforcement equipment to assist in the policing of our communities. A requirement of the application process is the submittal of an accepted MOU between the City of Des Moines, the City of West Des Moines, and Polk County, which names the City of Des Moines as the official applicant and the fiscal agent for the grant.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$146,162 - The City of Des Moines is allocated \$133,585 and the City of West Des Moines is allocated \$12,577.

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, Recommended Budget, Department Detail for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2016 on page 212.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

The Police Department received the solicitation for the FY2015 JAG. This grant is a formula grant with allocation figured on crime data reported to the federal government in proportion to the population density. Historically the grant solicitation has required a joint application reflecting Polk County as a sub recipient for a predetermined allocation. This year the solicitation requires the sub recipient to be the City of West Des Moines.

West Des Moines Police Department has expressed their intent to use the allocated funding to purchase law enforcement equipment which will support effective law enforcement capabilities and further community policing efforts.

The City of Des Moines Police Department will purchase 21 in-car cameras. This purchase will replace current equipment that is reached the end of its warranty life. The cameras are placed in marked police vehicles and deployed throughout the City. The system includes a front and rear facing camera to record audio as well as visual data. These cameras have provided valuable information related to evidence collection, witness support, officer safety, training, and increased accountability.

The grant does not require matching funds and has a performance period of October 1, 2014 through September 30, 2018.

The solicitation requires a MOU to be agreed upon by the City of Des Moines, the City of West Des Moines, and Polk County which signifies that all three (3) parties agree and accept the allocation and conditions established within the application supplemental documentation. This MOU establishes the City of Des Moines as the applying entity as well as the fiscal agent for the grant funding.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: May 5, 2014

Roll Call Number: [14-0701](#)

Action: [Grant](#) application for the 2014 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant and acceptance of Memorandum of Understanding with Polk County to be used in the purchase of law enforcement and forensic evidence equipment, \$167,323. ([Council Communication No. 14-200](#)) Moved by Hensley to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.

Date: June 24, 2013

Roll Call Number: [13-0994](#)

Action: [Grant](#) Application and Memorandum of Understanding with Polk County for funding from the 2013 Edward Byrne Justice Assistance Grant to be used for purchase of law enforcement equipment, \$143,494. ([Council Communication No. 13-340](#)) Moved by Hensley to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.

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.

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE

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