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AGENDA HEADING:

Approval and acceptance of a new Committee Advised Fund agreement between the City of Des Moines and the Greater Des Moines Community Foundation entitled Des Moines Police Foundation.

SYNOPSIS:

Recommend approval of an agreement between the Greater Des Moines Community Foundation and the City of Des Moines for the purpose of governing funds associated with donations to the Des Moines Police Department body-worn camera and in-car camera programs. The Community Foundation would establish a specific account to accept donations, and issue payments associated with body cameras and in-car video systems under direct governance of an oversight committee established by the Chief of Police. The account may remain active to serve in a similar capacity with future identified projects

FISCAL IMPACT: NONE

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

The Des Moines Police Department has been working towards the establishment of a digital evidence system for over two (2) years. The program will include body-worn cameras, in-car video systems, and an on premise storage solution. The Des Moines Police Department has received private donations to date in excess of \$575,000 for implementation of a body worn camera and in-car camera system. In addition to private donations, the City has earmarked federal funds, and has budgeted both general fund and capital funds for this project.

Des Moines Police Department was approached by an individual who would like to continue the fundraising effort for body worn cameras and allow for not only the initial implementation but also replacement of the first generation of cameras. Flynn Wright advertising agency has also volunteered their time and expertise to develop a public campaign to increase awareness of law enforcement and solicit additional funds.

The Community Foundation and City of Des Moines have been involved in similar agreements associated with other projects involving various City departments in previous years. The Community Foundation will accept tax deductible donations and provide more visibility for potential donors. The Community Foundation would only make disbursements from this fund with authorization from an oversight committee established by the Chief of Police. The fund does involve a minimal management fee for the Community Foundation which would be processed on an annual basis.

The Department completed a six (6) week trial of the first of two (2) finalists for the body-worn camera and in-car video program at the end of June. Testing of the second finalist is underway for the same six (6) week period concluding at the end of August. At the conclusion of the second testing period, both proposers will be evaluated based on the trials, cost, and other factors to determine the winning product. An anticipated final decision and initial roll-out is expected in the fall 2016.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S): NONE

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE

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