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	<b>Agenda Item No.</b>	<b>61</b>
	<b>Roll Call No.</b>	<b><u>16-1538</u></b>
	<b>Communication No.</b>	<b><u>16-493</u></b>
	<b>Submitted by:</b>	<b>Dana Wingert, Chief of Police</b>

**AGENDA HEADING:**

Request acceptance of the 2016 Homeland Security Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMD)/ SWAT and the Explosive Ordnance Detection (EOD) bomb grants totaling \$469,203.

**SYNOPSIS:**

The Des Moines Police Department has received a Notification of Award, from the State of Iowa, for the 2016 WMD/SWAT grant in the amount of \$167,161 and for the 2016 EOD Bomb grant in the amount of \$302,042. These funds are to be utilized to purchase specialized equipment and training for the statewide teams and do not require matching funds.

The Des Moines Police Department serves as the grant coordinator and financial manager at the request of the Iowa Homeland Security and Emergency Management Department, the WMD/SWAT statewide teams and the statewide EOD Bomb teams. Each statewide team benefits from the grant funding dependent on their equipment and training needs.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

Amount: \$167,161 (WMD/SWAT grant) and \$302,042 (EOD Bomb grant) totaling \$469,203.

Funding Source: Each grant will be assigned an original and independent budgetary code within the Police Special Revenue section found on page 207 in the Recommended Operating Budget Department Detail for the fiscal year 2017.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

- The City of Des Moines has received Homeland Security grants in support of the WMD/SWAT and the EOD Bomb teams in previous years including 2015. The purchases made with this funding must support all of the Iowa statewide teams that have received certification from the Department of Homeland Security. There are presently six (6) certified WMD/SWAT teams across the state and eight (8) certified bomb teams.
- These teams meet once a month to discuss processes, equipment needs, and training requirements. The equipment is reviewed for functionality, dependability and sustainability before it is placed on the replacement or purchase list. Training dates are required to ensure all members are current and up-to-date with all Homeland Security mandates to remain certified. Any training needs are also added to the review/purchase list. The list is then prioritized by the statewide team members to ensure immediate needs are included in the application for funding.

The list of needed equipment and training is reviewed by the Homeland Security coordinator for the State of Iowa. The Federal Department of Homeland Security has a very specific list of approved equipment that can be purchased by the teams to meet certification levels. Once the equipment and training are approved by the Department of Homeland Security, the approved items are presented to a governance committee for further review and approval. These processes are completed prior to applying for grant funding.

- These grants provide critical equipment for the statewide teams as well as the City of Des Moines teams. The purchased equipment and training allows these teams to maintain their efficiency and effectiveness while remaining compliant with national requirements for federal certification.

**PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):**

Date: September 14, 2015

Roll Call Number: [15-1525](#)

Action: [Acceptance](#) of 2015 Homeland Security Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMD)/SWAT and the Explosive Ordnance Detection (EOD) grants, \$406,741. ([Council Communication No. 15-487](#)) Moved by Hensley to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.

**BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE**

**ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE**

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