

 <p style="text-align: center;">Council Communication Office of the City Manager</p>	Date: August 28, 2017
	Agenda Item No. 37 Roll Call No. <u>17-1483</u> Communication No. <u>17-615</u> Submitted by: Dana Wingert, Chief of Police

AGENDA HEADING:

Approval of a revised application for the 2017 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) and acceptance of a revised Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the City of Des Moines and the City of West Des Moines.

SYNOPSIS:

At the August 14, 2017 City Council meeting, the City Council approved the application for funding submitted jointly with the City of West Des Moines and the Polk County Sheriff’s Office through the 2017 Edward Byrne Memorial JAG. The same resolution included the acceptance of a MOU between the City of Des Moines, West Des Moines, and the Polk County Sheriff’s Office.

Following Council action, the Polk County Sheriff’s Office requested to withdraw their request for funding through the JAG grant. The grant application included a new document that pertains to changes in federal immigration laws that would affect the operations of the Polk County holding facility. Polk County was not comfortable with the possible implication associated applying for funding. City of Des Moines’ Police and Legal staff have reviewed the laws and statutes referenced in the document and since the City does not operate a holding facility, neither adverse effects nor changes to City operations were identified.

The total funding requested in the grant application and the MOU has not changed. The allocation of funds has changed to reflect an increase in the funding for the City of West Des Moines. This results in the need for approval of the revised application and acceptance of a revised MOU.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: Total amount of application \$156,712 (unchanged)

- City of Des Moines - \$123,980
- City of West Des Moines - \$32,732

Funding Source: Recommended Budget, Department Detail for Fiscal Year 2018, Page 204

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- The Des Moines Police Department submits an annual application for the Edward Byrne Memorial JAG. The funding is intended to assist law enforcement agencies with equipment needs that are beyond their annual budget. The application includes the City of Des Moines as the primary applicant and the fiscal manager with the City of West Des Moines as a sub-

grantee. The 2017 application includes the purchase of efficiency flashlights for officer safety, accident recording equipment, forensic evidence collection and examination equipment, and rifle scopes with mounts for the City of West Des Moines Police Department.

- A requirement of the grant application is an accepted MOU between the two (2) entities to signify an agreement of grant terms and designation of the City of Des Moines as the primary applicant as well as the financial manager if funding is awarded.
- The withdraw of the Polk County Sheriff's Office from this grant application is associated with the possible impact of the new federal immigration laws on the operation of the Polk County holding facility. The City of Des Moines Legal Department has researched the laws and statutes referenced in the documentation that is part of the grant solicitation. The City of Des Moines does not operate a holding facility so referenced laws had little if any adverse effect on City operations.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: August 14, 2017

Roll Call Number: [17-1385](#)

Action: [2017](#) Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Application by the Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs and Memorandum of Understanding. ([Council Communication No. 17-573](#)) Moved by Hensley to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE

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