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	<b>Agenda Item No.</b>	<b>38A</b>
	<b>Roll Call No.</b>	<b><u>18-1694</u></b>
	<b>Communication No.</b>	<b><u>18-503</u></b>
	<b>Submitted by:</b>	<b>Dana Wingert, Chief of Police</b>

**AGENDA HEADING:**

Request acceptance of the 2018 Homeland Security Weapons of Mass Destruction WMD/ SWAT and the Explosive Ordnance Detection (EOD) bomb grants totaling \$636,838.

**SYNOPSIS:**

The City of Des Moines Police Department has received a Notification of Award, from the State of Iowa, for the 2018 WMD/SWAT grant in the amount of \$536,838 and for the 2018 EOD Bomb grant in the amount of \$100,000. These funds are to be utilized to purchase specialized equipment and training for the statewide teams and do not require matching funds.

The City of Des Moines 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 certified team benefits from the grant funding dependent on their equipment and training needs.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

Amount: \$636,838 (WMD/SWAT grant \$536,838; EOD grant \$100,000)

Funding Source: Police Special Revenue section found on page 206 in the Recommended Operating Budget Department Detail for the fiscal year 2019.

**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 2017.
- The items funded must receive prior approval from a governance committee with a focus on Homeland Security certification training and an approved list of equipment to support the Iowa Statewide teams.
- There are presently six (6) certified WMD/SWAT teams across the state and eight (8) certified bomb teams.
- Items being purchased for the WMD statewide teams include tactical ballistic vests, ballistic blankets and under door camera kits.

- Items to be purchased for the EOD statewide teams include disrupters, x-ray panels and fragment bags.
- These grants provide critical equipment and training for the statewide teams to remain prepared to support federal initiatives and maintain statewide response to terrorism, explosive devices and general public safety. The purchased equipment and training allows these teams to maintain their efficient effectiveness while remaining compliant with national requirements for federal certification.

**PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):**

Date: September 25, 2017

Roll Call Number: [17-1660](#)

Action: [Acceptance](#) of 2017 Homeland Security Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMD)/SWAT and the Explosive Ordnance Detection (EOD) Grant, \$302,095. ([Council Communication No. 17-671](#)) Moved by Hensley to adopt. Motion Carried 6-1. Absent: Cownie.

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

**ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE**

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