


COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

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|  | Number: | 19-530 | Meeting: | December 16, 2019 |
| | Agenda Item: | 38 | Roll Call: | 19-2024 |
| | Submitted by: | Dana Wingert, Chief of Police | | |

AGENDA HEADING:

Approval to accept the 2019 Project Safe Neighborhood Grant award through the Office of Drug Control Policy in the amount of \$67,708.

SYNOPSIS:

The Police Department was notified of the grant award on November 26, 2019. The award will provide funding for overtime related to targeted drug enforcement operations and access to a new forensic intelligence data collection system. The grant does not require a match and has a term from November 25, 2019 through October 31, 2020.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$67,708 (revenue)

Funding Source: Special Revenues and Other Funds on page 211 of the FY2020 Adopted Operating Budget, Department Detail.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- The grant will provide funding for police officers to work overtime related to targeted drug enforcement and surveillance at hotels/motels in and around the City of Des Moines. The targeted enforcement will be initiated after enough intelligence is gathered from various sources. The grant also includes funds for police officer overtime to provide package interdiction at the U.S. Postal service to intercept packages containing illegal drugs. Police officers will coordinate with the local U.S. Postmaster to use a canine unit to indicate if suspicious packages contain illegal substances.
- The new forensic intelligence data collection system creates a case related data reservoir that can be easily searched to provide common information between cases. The system can analyze large quantities of data such as historical case information, cell phone records and social media posts in an efficient manner. The system is capable of considerable growth and offers the option of information sharing with other law enforcement entities.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S): NONE

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE

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