


COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

 CITY OF DES MOINES OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER	Number:	23-486	Meeting:	November 6, 2023
	Agenda Item:	32	Roll Call:	23-1547
	Submitted by:	Dana Wingert, Chief of Police		

AGENDA HEADING:

Approval to accept the 2023 Project Safe Neighborhood Grant award through the Office of Drug Control Policy in the amount of \$50,441. This award has a performance period of October 1, 2023, through September 30, 2024, and does not require a match.

SYNOPSIS:

The State of Iowa, Office of Drug Control Policy contacted the Police Department with a notice of award in the amount of \$50,441 through the 2023 Project Safe Neighborhood Program. The award will provide funding for overtime related to targeted drug enforcement operations. The grant does not require a match and has a performance period from October 1, 2023, through September 30, 2024.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$50,441

Funding Source: Special Revenues, Page 200 of the Adopted Operating Budget, Fiscal Year (FY) 2023

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

The grant will provide funding for officers to work overtime related to targeted drug enforcement and surveillance at known drug hot spots in and around the city of Des Moines. The enforcement will be initiated after enough intelligence is gathered from various sources. The grant also includes funds for officer overtime to provide package interdiction at the U.S. Postal Service, FedEx, and UPS to intercept packages containing illegal drugs. Officers will coordinate with the local U.S. Postmaster and operations managers for FedEx and UPS to use a canine unit to indicate if suspicious packages contain illegal substances. Confiscated packages will initiate an investigation in efforts to discourage drug trafficking.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S): NONE

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE

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