

**TO THE COUNCIL OF THE  
CITY OF LOS ANGELES**

**File No. 13-0130**

**Your PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE**

**reports as follows:**

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT relative to an Operation Veterans Alternative Legal Options and Resources (VALOR) grant award for use by the City Attorney.

Recommendations for Council action, SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR:

1. APPROVE and AUTHORIZE the City Attorney, or designee, to execute the Operation VALOR Program grant award between the City of Los Angeles and the Bureau of Justice Assistance, subject to the approval of the City Attorney as to form and legality.
2. AUTHORIZE the City Attorney, or designee, to accept the Operation VALOR Program grant award in the amount of \$250,000 for the period October 1, 2012, to September 30, 2014.
3. AUTHORIZE the Controller to:
  - a. Establish a receivable in the amount of \$250,000 within Fund 368, Department 12.
  - b. Establish a new appropriation account within Fund 368 as follows:

Account 12J271	FY 12-14 Operation VALOR	\$250,000
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4. TRANSFER, upon receipt of grant funds, up to \$165,129 from Fund 368, Department 12, Account 12J271 to Fund 100, Department 12, Revenue Account 5301, Reimbursement from Other Funds/Dept.
5. AUTHORIZE the City Attorney to prepare Controller instructions for any necessary technical adjustments consistent with this action, subject to the approval of the City Administrative Officer (CAO); and, REQUEST that the Controller implement the instructions.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The CAO reports that the total cost of the Operation VALOR program is \$312,500, of which \$250,000 will be reimbursed by the Bureau of Justice Assistance. The General Fund impact will be \$43,000 for the salary of one Police Officer. No additional appropriation is needed since the salaries are already included in the Los Angeles Police Department's budget. The above recommendations are in compliance with City financial policies in that budgeted appropriations will be balanced against receipts expected from this grant.

**SUMMARY**

In a report to the Mayor and Council dated February 1, 2013 (attached to the Council file), the CAO states that the City Attorney requests authority to accept \$250,000 in grant funding from the Bureau of Justice Assistance for the Operation VALOR program for the period October 1,

2012 to September 30, 2014. According to the CAO, the City Attorney, along with New Directions, Inc., and USC's Center for Research and Innovation for Military and Their Families, will address the needs of veterans with mental health or co-occurring disorders through community care instead of incarceration.

The CAO reports that the total cost of the program is \$312,500, of which \$250,000 will be reimbursed to the City as follows: \$103,019 in salaries for one Deputy City Attorney III, \$62,171 in related costs for one Deputy City Attorney III (fringe benefits, central services and department administration), \$4,310 in travel, and \$80,500 in contractual services. The CAO recommends approval of the City Attorney's request.

At its meeting held February 8, 2013, the Public Safety Committee recommended that Council approve and authorize the City Attorney to accept the Operation VALOR grant award and approve the related actions above, as recommended by the CAO.

Respectfully submitted,

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

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<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
ENGLANDER:	YES
PERRY:	ABSENT
BUSCAINO:	YES
KREKORIAN:	ABSENT
ZINE:	YES

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