

COMMUNICATION FROM CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR, PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE, relative to the Grants Pilot Program - Grant Acceptance Packet for the Los Angeles County Dispute Resolution - Victim/Offender Grant to support the Neighborhood Justice Program (NJP).

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

1. APPROVE and AUTHORIZE the City Attorney, or designee, to execute Contract Amendment No. 1 of the City Administrative Officer's (CAO) transmittal dated November 17, 2015, attached to the Council file, between the County of Los Angeles and the City of Los Angeles in the amount of \$137,810 for the period of July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016, subject to the approval of the City Attorney as to form and legality.
2. AUTHORIZE the City Attorney, or designee, to accept grant funding in the amount of \$137,810 from the Los Angeles County Department of Community and Senior Services.
3. APPROVE the City cash and in-kind match in the amount of \$65,424 for the period of July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016.
4. AUTHORIZE the Controller to:
  - a. Establish a receivable within Fund 368 in the amount of \$137,810 from the County of Los Angeles.
  - b. Establish a new appropriation account within Fund 368 as follows:

Account 12M702- FY 15-16 DRPA VO Grant - \$137,810
5. TRANSFER \$96,693 from Fund 368, Account 12M702 to Fund 100/12, Account 001010 Salaries General.
6. TRANSFER up to \$35,496 from Fund 368, Account 12M702 to Fund 100/12, RSRC 5301 - Reimbursement from Other Funds/Departments upon receipt of reimbursement.
7. AUTHORIZE the City Attorney to prepare Controller instructions for any necessary technical adjustments subject to the approval of the CAO; and, AUTHORIZE the Controller to implement the instructions.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The CAO reports that the total cost of the 2015-16 NJP is \$203,234, of which \$137,810 will be reimbursed by the County of Los Angeles. The General Fund impact will be \$43,483 comprised of \$18,304 in central services and \$25,179 in department administration. The City will provide \$21,941 in volunteer hours. No additional appropriation is needed. The recommendations in this report are in compliance with the City's Financial Policies in that budgeted appropriations will be balanced against receipts expected from the continuation of this grant.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

SUMMARY

At the meeting held on December 15, 2015, your Public Safety Committee considered a CAO report relative to the Grants Pilot Program - Grant Acceptance Packet for the Los Angeles County Dispute Resolution - Victim/Offender Grant to support the NJP. The CAO reports that the Office of the City Attorney requests approval to accept \$137,810 in grant funding from the County of Los Angeles for the second year of the Dispute Resolution Program-Victim/Offender, also known as the NJP. Funding in the amount of \$137,810 is provided for the continuation of the NJP, a Victim/Offender post-arrest, pre-filing diversion program entering its second year of operation from July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016, The NJP provides an ongoing alternative prosecution diversion service that allows first time, non-violent offenders to voluntarily and confidentially participate in pre-filing diversion program in-lieu of having their case filed and processed through the traditional justice system. The total cost of the program is \$203,234, of which \$137,810 will be reimbursed to the City as follows; \$96,693 in salary expenses, \$34,955 in fringe benefits, \$541 in a portion for central services, \$2,621 for Office and Administrative expenses, and \$3,000 for an audit fee. The City's match will include: \$18,304 for the balance of central services, \$25,179 for department administration, and \$21,941 in earned credit for volunteer hours. The grant will support two City Attorney Administrative Coordinator I positions in the City Attorney's Office. No additional funds are requested since these are continuing positions and are included in the 2015-16 Adopted Budget. After an opportunity for public comment was held, the Committee moved to approve the recommendations presented in the CAO transmittal, as detailed above. This matter is now forwarded to the Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,



COUNCILMEMBER MITCHELL ENGLANDER, CHAIR PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

COUNCILMEMBER JOE BUSCAINO, VICE CHAIR PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
ENGLANDER:	YES
BUSCAINO:	YES
BONIN:	ABSENT
O'FARRELL:	ABSENT
MARTINEZ:	ABSENT

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