

REPORT FROM

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Council District: --

To: The Mayor
The Council

From: Miguel A. Santana, City Administrative Officer *MAS*

Reference: Board of Police Commissioners Transmittal dated April 8, 2015

Subject: **2012 SOLVING COLD CASES WITH DNA PROGRAM GRANT EXTENSION AND BUDGET MODIFICATION**

SUMMARY

The Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) requests approval to: 1) Accept a no-cost time extension to September 30, 2015 for the 2012 Solving Cold Cases with Deoxyribonucleic Acid (DNA) Program (Program) provided by the United States Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, National Institute of Justice (NIJ); and, 2) Modify funding amounts within the Program budget. The total approved funding amount of \$500,000 will remain the same and the modification has been approved by the NIJ.

BACKGROUND

The Program is administered by the NIJ and provides periodic funding to states and local governments to identify, review, and investigate violent crime "cold cases" that have the potential to be solved using DNA analysis and to locate and analyze biological evidence associated with these cases. Cold cases are those that are five years or older and are no longer being pursued as active cases for investigation. On January 9, 2013, the Council approved the Department's acceptance of the Program grant from the NIJ in the amount of \$500,000 for the period of October 1, 2012 through September 31, 2014 (C.F. 10-1723) and on December 2, 2014, the Council approved an extension of the grant term to March 31, 2015 (C.F. 14-1375). For the purpose of providing sufficient time to complete the Program objectives, the NIJ subsequently approved an additional six month, no-cost time extension to September 30, 2015. The NIJ has also approved the proposed budgetary changes. If approved by Council, the reprogrammed funds will pay for additional civilian and sworn overtime to process additional DNA investigations. Approval of this request will result in the following changes to the Program budget:

Costs	Current	Reprogram	Revised
Personnel/ Civilian Overtime	\$65,700	\$19,810	\$85,510
Personnel/ Sworn Overtime	110,282	31,387	141,669
Travel	32,483	(5,028)	27,455
Contractual Services	257,425	(45,304)	212,121
Other	34,110	(865)	33,245
TOTAL	\$500,000	\$0.00	\$500,000

The reprogramming represents movement of \$51,197 in funds, but the net change is \$0 and the total Program will remain at \$500,000. The Department states that the reductions to contractual services (\$45,304) will have no material impact on the Project's outcome inasmuch as sufficient funding to perform all necessary contractor work is currently available in both contracts. The Department anticipates meeting the Program objectives by the end of the grant period on September 30, 2015.

RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Council, subject to the approval of the Mayor:

1. Authorize the Chief of Police, or designee, to accept a no-cost extension for the 2012 Solving Cold Cases with DNA Program (Program) from the United States Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, National Institute of Justices (NIJ), extending the award period to September 30, 2015;
2. Authorize the Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) to reprogram funds totaling \$51,197 within the Program from the NIJ as follows:

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3. Authorize the LAPD to prepare Controller's instructions for any technical adjustment, subject to the approval of the City Administrative Officer, and authorize and instruct the Controller to implement the instructions.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

The 2012 Solving Cold Cases with DNA Program costs are fully reimbursable. There is no impact to the General Fund. The recommendations in this report comply with the City's Financial Policies in that one-time revenue is used for one-time expenses.