PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the Introducing New Tools based on Evidence and Risk assessment to Confirm Eligibility for Prosecution Treatment (Project INTERCEPT) 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 Project INTERCEPT grant award between the City of Los Angeles and the Office of Justice Programs for the period October 1, 2014 to September 30, 2016, subject to the approval of the City Attorney as to form and legality.
- 2. AUTHORIZE the City Attorney, or designee, to accept the Project INTERCEPT grant award in the amount of \$435,253 for the period October 1, 2014 to September 30, 2016.
- RESOLVE that position authority is APPROVED and CONFIRMED for two Administrative Coordinator II positions in the City Attorney's Office for the period January 1, 2015 to June 30, 2015.
- 4. AUTHORIZE the Controller to:
 - a. Establish a receivable in the amount of \$435,253 within Fund 368/12.
 - b. Establish a new appropriation within Fund 368/12, as follows:

Account Title Amount
12L231 FY 14-15 Smart Prosecution \$435,253

- c. Transfer \$60,060 from Fund 368/12, Account 12L231- FY14-15 Smart Prosecution to Fund 100/12, Account 001020 Salaries Grant Reimbursed.
- d. Upon receipt of grant funds, transfer up to \$79,142 from Fund 368/12, Account 12L231 to Fund 100/12, Revenue Source 5301, Reimbursement from Other Funds/Dept.
- 5. INSTRUCT the City Clerk to place on the Council calendar for JULY 1, 2015, the following action relative to the Smart Prosecution Initiative:
 - TRANSFER \$144,144 from Fund 368/12, Account 12L231, FY14-15 Smart Prosecution, to Fund 100/12, Account 001020 Salaries Grant Reimbursed.
- 6. INSTRUCT the City Clerk to place on the Council calendar for JULY 1, 2016, the following action relative to the Smart Prosecution Initiative:
 - TRANSFER \$36,056 from Fund 368/12, Account 12L231, FY14-15 Smart Prosecution, to Fund 100/12, Account 001020 Salaries Grant Reimbursed.
- 7. AUTHORIZE the City Attorney to prepare Controller instructions for any necessary

technical adjustments, subject to the approval of the City Administrative Officer (CAO); and, AUTHORIZE the Controller to implement the instructions.

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement</u>: The CAO reports that the total cost of Project INTERCEPT is \$536,138, of which \$435,253 will be reimbursed by the Bureau of Justice Assistance. The General Fund impact will be \$100,885 for overhead costs (central services and department administration). No additional appropriation is needed. The above recommendations are in compliance with City financial policies in that budgeted appropriations will be balanced against receipts expected from this grant.

Community Impact Statement: No

SUMMARY

In a report to the Mayor and Council dated January 21, 2015 (attached to the Council file), the CAO states that the City Attorney requests authority to accept Project INTERCEPT grant award. According to the CAO, The City Attorney's Office will partner with Justice Security and Strategies, Inc., and the Center for Court Innovation to use evidence-based risk assessment to evaluate prosecutorial diversion approaches for misdemeanor offenders. In addition, INTERCEPT will implement restorative justice strategies in the form of Community Justice Panels for qualified offenders. Grant funds will be used for program contracts, position salaries and benefits, training, and travel expenses. The CAO recommends approval of the City Attorney's request and the related actions.

At its meeting held February 27, 2015, the Public Safety Committee recommended that Council authorize the City Attorney to accept the Project INTERCEPT grant award, and to approve the related actions above, as recommended by the CAO.

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Respectfully Submitted,

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

MEMBER

VOTE

ENGLANDER: YES

BUSCAINO:

YES

BONIN:

ABSENT

O'FARRELL:

YES

MARTINEZ:

ABSENT

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