

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the 2016 Deoxyribonucleic Acid (DNA) Capacity Enhancement and Backlog Reduction Program Grant.

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

1. AUTHORIZE the Chief, Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD), or designee, to:
 - a. Retroactively accept the 2016 DNA Capacity Enhancement and Backlog Reduction Program Grant in the amount of \$866,278 from the United States Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, National Institute of Justice (NIJ) for the period of January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2018.
 - b. Negotiate and execute the grant award agreement, subject to the review and approval of the City Attorney as to form.
2. AUTHORIZE the LAPD to:
 - a. Spend up to the total grant amount of \$866,278 in accordance with the grant award agreement.
 - b. Submit grant reimbursement requests to the grantor and deposit grant receipts in Fund No. 339/70.
3. AUTHORIZE the Controller to:
 - a. Establish a grant receivable and appropriate \$866,278 to appropriation account number to be determined within Fund No. 339/70, for disbursement of the 2016 DNA Capacity Enhancement and Backlog Reduction Program Grant.
 - b. Increase appropriations for NIJ's 2016 DNA Capacity Enhancement and Backlog Reduction Program as needed from appropriations account number to be determined in Fund No. 339/70, to Fund No. 100/70, Account No. 001090, Civilian Overtime, in the amount of \$379,663.
4. AUTHORIZE the LAPD to prepare Controller's instructions for any technical adjustments, subject to the approval of the City Administrative Officer (CAO); and, AUTHORIZE the Controller to implement the instructions.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The CAO reports that approval of the above recommendations will allow for the expenditure of the 2016 DNA Capacity Enhancement and Backlog Reduction Grant award totaling \$866,278. There is no impact to the General Fund as a result of these actions. These actions are in compliance with the City's Financial Policies in that grant funds are sufficient to support the grant activities. There are no matching funds required.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

SUMMARY

At the meeting held on December 6, 2016, your Public Safety Committee considered Board of Police Commissioners and CAO reports relative to the 2016 DNA Capacity Enhancement and Backlog Reduction Program grant award in the amount of \$866,278 from the NIJ for the period of January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2018. The CAO reports that the 2016 DNA Capacity Enhancement and Backlog Reduction Grant Program from the NIJ will allow the LAPD's Forensic Science Division to analyze at least 321 additional DNA cases annually. The budget provides funding for civilian Criminalists and support staff to process DNA cases on an overtime basis; travel and registration expenses for the continuing education of DNA analysts; and replacement of an outdated genetic profiling instrument and purchase of an automated sample lysing instrument. This equipment will effectively reduce DNA testing turnaround time. 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,

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE



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

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