

REPORT FROM

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To: The City Council

From: Richard H. Llewellyn, Jr., Interim City Administrative Officer 

Reference: Board of Police Commissioners Transmittal dated January 31, 2017

Subject: **2016 TECHNOLOGY INNOVATION FOR PUBLIC SAFETY GRANT**

RECOMMENDATIONS

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

1. Authorize the Chief of Police, or designee, to:

- a. Retroactively apply for and accept the grant award from the United States Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Administration for the 2016 Technology Innovation for Public Safety (TIPS) grant in the amount of \$395,717 for the period of October 1, 2016 through March 31, 2018;
- b. Negotiate and execute the grant award agreement, subject to City Attorney approval as to form;
- c. Negotiate and execute a Professional Services Agreement with Justice & Security Strategies, Inc., a subrecipient agency, for a term within the applicable grant performance period, for a sum not to exceed \$95,000, for the provision of grant research partner services, subject to the approval of the City Attorney as to form;

2. Authorize the Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) to:

- a. Expend up to \$395,717 in accordance with the grant award agreement;
- b. Submit grant reimbursement requests to the grantor and deposit grant receipts in Fund No. 339, Department No. 70;
- c. Prepare Controller instructions for any technical adjustments, subject to the approval of the City Administrative Officer, and authorize the Controller to implement the instructions; and,

3. Authorize the Controller to establish a grant receivable and appropriate \$395,717 to appropriation account number to be determined within Fund No. 339 Department 70, for disbursement of the 2016 TIPS grant.

SUMMARY

The Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) is seeking approval to accept a \$395,717 grant from the United States Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Administration, for the 2016 Technology Innovation for Public Safety (TIPS) Grant: Innovative Technology Implementation to Address Precipitous Increases in Crime. The grant term is an eighteen month period from October 1, 2016 through March 31, 2018.

The 2016 TIPS grant provides funding to enhance information-sharing capacity through the use of innovative technological solutions to effectively address disproportionate and precipitous increases in crime. LAPD will utilize 2016 TIPS funds to augment its Automated License Plate Recognition (ALPR) technology by implementing new software and using advanced algorithms to identify characteristics of vehicles and expand information sharing across the Southern California Metro region. The program will work towards the following goals and objectives:

1. Promote information sharing and collaboration within the LAPD and neighboring agencies that have a role in preventing and investigating crime;
2. Develop and enhance policies and practices that leverage technology to promote improved investigations and decision making which results in crime reduction; and,
3. Conduct on-going research and evaluation to improve systems, policies, and practices of ALPR technology.

The LAPD also requests authority to negotiate and execute a contract with the grant subrecipient, Justice & Security Strategies, Inc. (Subrecipient), for \$95,000. The Subrecipient will act as the City's research partner and will perform an impact evaluation of the enhanced software. The remaining funding will be allocated for office supplies and equipment (\$30,522), travel (\$21,264) for the LAPD to present aspects of the project at national conventions, and technology expenses (\$248,931) for the purchase and installation of new software necessary to implement the program.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

Approval of the recommendations in this report will have no additional impact on the General Fund. Acceptance of the grant is in compliance with the City's Financial Policies in that one-time revenue is used for one-time expenses. No matching funds are required for this grant.