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February 19, 2019

BPC #19-0052

The Honorable Eric Garcetti
Mayor, City of Los Angeles
City Hall, Room 303
Los Angeles, CA 90012

The Honorable City Council
City of Los Angeles, Room 395
c/o City Clerk's Office

Dear Honorable Members:

RE: TRANSMITTAL OF THE GRANT APPLICATION AND AWARD FOR THE FISCAL
YEAR 2018-2020 INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM
GRANT

At the regular meeting of the Board of Police Commissioners held Tuesday, February 19, 2019, the Board APPROVED the Department's report relative to the above matter.

This matter is being forwarded to you for approval.

Respectfully,

BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS

MARIA SILVA
Commission Executive Assistant

Attachment

c: Chief of Police

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TO: The Honorable Board of Police Commissioners

FROM: Chief of Police

Richard M. Tank 2/13/19
RICHARD M. TANK
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
DATE

SUBJECT: TRANSMITTAL OF THE GRANT APPLICATION AND AWARD FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2018-2020 INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM GRANT

RECOMMENDED ACTIONS

1. That the Board of Police Commissioners (Board) REVIEW and APPROVE this report.
2. That the Board TRANSMIT the attached grant application, pursuant to Administrative Code Section 14.6(a), to the Mayor, Office of the City Administrative Officer (CAO), Office of the Chief Legislative Analyst and to the City Clerk for committee and City Council consideration.
3. That the Board REQUEST the Mayor and City Council to:
 - A. AUTHORIZE the Chief of Police to retroactively APPLY for and ACCEPT the grant award for the Fiscal Year 2018-2020 Intellectual Property Enforcement Program (FY 2018-2020 IPE) Grant in the amount up to \$400,000 for the period of October 1, 2018 through September 30, 2020, from the Bureau of Justice Administration, United States Department of Justice;
 - B. AUTHORIZE the Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) to spend up to the grant amount of \$400,000 in accordance with the grant award agreement;
 - C. AUTHORIZE the Chief of Police or his designee to negotiate and execute the Cooperative Agreement, subject to City Attorney approval as to form and legality;
 - D. AUTHORIZE the LAPD to submit grant reimbursement requests to the grantor and deposit grant receipts in Fund No. 339, Department No. 70;
 - E. AUTHORIZE the Controller to set up a grant receivable and appropriate \$400,000 to an appropriation account to be determined within Fund No. 339, Department No. 70, for the receipt and disbursement of the FY 2018-2020 IPE in accordance with the grant award agreement;

- F. AUTHORIZE the Controller to increase appropriations for the FY 2018-2020 IPE as needed from appropriation account number to be determined in Fund No. 339, Department No. 70, to Fund No. 100, Department No. 70, account number and amount as follows:

Account No. 001092, Sworn Overtime: \$ 50,000

- G. Instruct the City Clerk to place on Council Calendar on July 1, 2019, the following action relative to the FY 2018-2020 IPE:

“That the City Council, subject to the approval of the Mayor, Authorize the Controller to transfer \$150,000 from Fund No. 339, Department No. 70, account number to be determined, to Fund No. 100, Department No. 70, Account No. 001092 – Sworn Overtime.”

- H. Instruct the City Clerk to place on Council Calendar on July 1, 2020, the following action relative to the FY 2018-2020 IPE:

“That the City Council, subject to the approval of the Mayor, Authorize the Controller to transfer 50,000. from FY 2018-2020 IPE, to Fund No. 100, Department No. 70, Account No. 001092 – Sworn General.”

- I. Authorize the Controller to transfer \$54,555 from Fund 339, Department 70, Account to be determined, to Fund No. 100, Department No. 12, Account No. 001010 – Salary Overtime;

- J. Instruct the City Clerk to place on Council Calendar on July 1, 2019, the following action relative to the FY 2018-2020 IPE:

“That the City Council, subject to the approval of the Mayor, Authorize the Controller to transfer \$74,373 from Fund No. 339, Department No. 70, account number to be determined, to Fund No. 100, Department No. 12, Account No. 001010 – Salary General.”

- K. Instruct the City Clerk to place on Council Calendar on July 1, 2020, the following action relative to the FY 2018-2020 IPE:

“That the City Council, subject to the approval of the Mayor, Authorize the Controller to transfer \$21,072. from FY 2018-2020 IPE, to Fund No. 100, Department No. 12, Account No. 001010 – Salary General.”

- L. AUTHORIZE the LAPD to prepare Controller instructions for any technical adjustments, subject to the approval of the CAO, and AUTHORIZE and INSTRUCT the Controller to implement the instructions.

DISCUSSION

The LAPD was a recipient of the Fiscal Year 2009, 2010, 2011, 2013, 2014, 2016, and 2017 Intellectual Property Enforcement Program Grants. Because of grant funding, LAPD has been able to dramatically strengthen its efforts in combating the proliferation of counterfeit goods; enforcing copyright, trademark, and patent laws; and deterring organized counterfeit manufacturing and distribution rings.

The LAPD will use the grant award to fund the "*Reducing and Preventing Intellectual Property Crime in the City of Los Angeles*" program. The Detective Support and Vice Division (DSVD) will continue its multi-faceted approach to reduce and prevent Intellectual Property (IP) crime in Los Angeles. The LAPD will allocate \$250,000 for sworn overtime to investigators to focus their efforts on implementing strategies that will protect public health, safety, and the economy from counterfeit goods throughout Los Angeles. The DSVD will also provide training and educational outreach. The City Attorney's office has been allocated \$150,000 for salary costs to partially fund a Deputy City Attorney II who will dedicate 71% of their time to prosecute Intellectual Property-related crimes.

The long-term goal of the LAPD is to reduce the supply of, and demand for, pirated merchandise and counterfeit activities in Los Angeles. The proposed program will implement a three-pronged strategy to protect public health, safety, and the economy from counterfeit goods through (1) Enforcement, (2) Analysis Strategies, and (3) Enhanced Public Awareness of IP Crime.

Activities of the program include:

- a) Coordination with federal law enforcement field offices to focus investigations on identifying the highest priority violations, the largest criminal enterprises, and instances of repeat offenders or efforts to evade law enforcement or private anti-counterfeiting efforts, with specific focus on violent, drug, and criminal-gang offenders;
- b) Enforcement of criminal laws related to IP theft using overtime funded by the grant;
- c) Reaching out to, and educating, the general public and businesses to prevent, deter, and identify criminal violations of IP laws;
- d) Attend training opportunities by the BJA training and technical assistance provider to improve online investigations in the "dark web" and de-anonymizing perpetrators of IP crime; and,
- e) Spearhead an initiative to implement investigations and increase prosecutions of crimes occurring on the dark web.

The Honorable Board of Police Commissioners

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If you have any questions, please contact Senior Management Analyst Stella Larracas,
Officer in Charge, Grants Section, Fiscal Operations Division, at (213) 486-0380.

Respectfully,



MICHEL R. MOORE
Chief of Police

Attachments

**BOARD OF
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Approved *February 19, 2019*
Secretary *Maria Silva*