PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the 2019-20 Operation Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) 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 apply for and accept the 2019-20 Operation ABC Grant in the amount of \$100,000 from the California Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control for the period of July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020.
 - b. Negotiate and execute the grant agreement for the period of July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020, subject to the review of the City Attorney as to form.

2. AUTHORIZE the LAPD to:

- a. Submit grant reimbursement requests to the grantor and deposit grant receipts in the Police Department Grant Trust Fund No. 339/70.
- b. Spend up to the grant amount of \$100,000 in accordance with the grant award agreement.
- c. 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.

3. AUTHORIZE the Controller to:

- a. Establish a grant receivable and appropriate \$100,000 to appropriation account, account number to be determined, within Fund No. 339/70, for the receipt and disbursement of Operation ABC Grant funds.
- b. Increase appropriations on an as-needed basis from the 2019-20 Operation ABC Grant, Fund No. 339/70, account number to be determined, to Fund No. 100/70, account numbers and amounts as follows:

Account: Title Amount: 1012 Salaries Sworn \$65,707.50 1092 Overtime Sworn \$29,292.50

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement</u>: The CAO reports that approval of the recommendations contained in the September 10, 2019 CAO report, attached to the Council file, will allow for the expenditure of the 2019-20 Operation ABC Grant award totaling \$100,000. The grant will provide partial funding for sworn salaries, overtime funding for sworn personnel, equipment, and expenses for mandatory travel/training. No matching funds are required for this grant. The additional swom salary and all fringe benefit costs are already included in the 2019-20 Adopted Budget and do not represent any additional General Fund impact.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

Summary:

On September 25, 2019, your Committee considered September 10, 2019 CAO and July 16, 2019 Board of Police Commissioners reports relative to the 2019-20 Operation ABC Grant. According to the CAO, the LAPD is seeking retroactive approval to apply for and accept a \$100,000 grant award for the 2019-20 Operation ABC Grant Program (Program) from the California Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control (State) for the period of July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020. This is the 24th year of funding for Operation ABC, which began in 1996. Since its inception, Operation ABC has closed more than 89 non-compliant outlets and during the past six years, the LAPD has conducted investigations at 95-ABC locations, resulting in 470 arrests for crimes related to the illegal solicitation of alcoholic beverages.

The main objective of the Program is to enforce alcohol laws and to prevent and discourage illegal drugs in the 6,316 ABC-licensed businesses within the City. Activities will focus on preventing sales of alcoholic beverages to minors and intoxicated patrons, illegal solicitation of alcohol, and other related criminal activities. Operation ABC also provides training for alcohol retailers to educate licensees and their employees in promoting the responsible sale, service, and distribution of alcoholic beverages. The LAPD employs on a continuing basis, two Police Sergeant IIs to coordinate Operation ABC. The LAPD will utilize \$65,707.50 to finance 50 percent of the salary costs of one Police Sergeant II. The remaining salary costs for this Program is provided by the City's General Fund. Although no matching funds are required for this grant, the City must cover the additional sworn salary and all fringe benefit costs of the two Police Sergeant Ms. Since the positions are filled by existing LAPD personnel, these costs are already included in the 2019-20 Adopted Budget and do not represent any additional General Fund impact. After consideration and having provided an opportunity for public comment, the Committee moved to recommend approval of the grant funding as detailed in the above recommendations. This matter is now submitted to Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

MEMBER VOTE

RODRIGUEZ: YES

O'FARRELL: YES BUSCAINO: YES

RYU: LEE:

ABSENT ABSENT

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