

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the 2014-2016 Intellectual Property Enforcement grant award.

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

1. AUTHORIZE the Chief, Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD), or designee, to:
 - a. Accept the 2014-2016 Intellectual Property Enforcement Program grant award from the United States Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance in the amount of \$456,413 for the period October 1, 2014 through September 30, 2016.
 - b. Negotiate and execute the Cooperative Agreement, subject to the approval of the City Attorney approval as to form and legality.

2. AUTHORIZE the LAPD to:
 - a. Spend up to the grant amount of \$456,413 in accordance with the grant award agreement.
 - b. Submit grant reimbursement requests to the grantor and deposit grant receipts into the Police Department Grant Trust Fund No. 339/70.

3. AUTHORIZE the Controller to:
 - a. Establish a grant receivable in Fund 339 in the amount of \$456,413 and establish an appropriation account, account number to be determined, within Fund No. 339/70 for the receipt and disbursement of grant funds in accordance with the grant award agreement.
 - b. Increase appropriations for the 2014-2016 Intellectual Property Enforcement grant on an as-needed basis, as follows:

<u>Fund/Dept No.</u>	<u>Account Title</u>	<u>Amount</u>
From: 339/70	70XXXX 2014-16 Intellectual Property Enforcement Grant	\$344,121

<u>Fund/Dept No.</u>	<u>Account Title</u>	<u>Amount</u>
To: 100/70	001092 Sworn Overtime	\$300,000
100/12	001010 Salaries General	<u>44,121</u>
		Total: \$344,121

- c. Transfer up to \$38,756 from Fund No. 339/70, appropriation account number to be determined, to the General Fund 100/12, Revenue Source Code 5301, for reimbursement of grant-funded fringe benefits.

4. INSTRUCT the City Clerk to place on the Council agenda for the dates specified below, or the first meeting day thereafter, the following instructions:
 - a. On July 1, 2015, TRANSFER \$58,821 from the appropriation account to be determined in Fund 339/70 for the 2014-16 Intellectual Property Enforcement Program grant, to the City Attorney's Office, Fund 100/12, Account 001010, for Fiscal Year (FY) 2015-16 expenditures.
 - b. On July 1, 2016, TRANSFER \$14,715 from the appropriation account to be determined in Fund 339/70 for the 2014-16 Intellectual Property Enforcement Program grant, to the City Attorney's Office, Fund 100/12, Account 001010, for FY 2016-17 expenditures.
5. RESOLVE that one Deputy City Attorney II (Class Code 0595) for the City Attorney's Office is APPROVED and CONFIRMED and exempt from the Managed Hiring process for the period October 1, 2014, to June 30, 2015.
6. 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 this action will not impact the General Fund. The FY 2014-2016 Intellectual Property Enforcement Program grant award will fully reimburse the City for sworn overtime and half of the salaries general expenses associated with the program. Funding for the balance of salaries general costs will be provided by the Consumer Protection Trust Fund through an appropriation to the Office of the City Attorney in a future Financial Status Report. This action complies with City financial policies in that one-time revenue is supporting one-time expenditures.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

SUMMARY

In a report to Council dated December 5, 2014 (attached to the Council file), the CAO states that LAPD requests authority to accept the 2014-16 Intellectual Property Enforcement Program grant award from the United States Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance. Grant funds will be used to fund Sworn Overtime for LAPD Anti-Piracy Unit (APU) investigators to implement strategies and tactics for reducing intellectual property crimes (\$300,000) and half of the cost for one Deputy City Attorney II (\$156,413) to prosecute intellectual property related crimes and participate in task force efforts, training, and outreach. On October 7, 2014, the Board of Police Commissioners approved LAPD's request. The CAO concurs with the Board's action.

According to the CAO, the Intellectual Property Enforcement grant provides support for increasing the capacity of state, local, and tribal criminal justice systems to address intellectual property criminal enforcement, including prosecution, prevention, training, and technical assistance. Awards are made by the BJA to support law enforcement agencies in coordinating the goals, objectives, and activities of their intellectual property task forces in close collaboration with the relevant state, local, tribal, and federal agencies.

The CAO reports that LAPD's APU handles investigations involving the enforcement of middle to high-level organized manufacturing and distribution rings of counterfeit DVDs/CDs and intellectual property crimes at retail/wholesale locations that are involved in the sale of counterfeit items such as jewelry, purses, wallets, clothing, food, and drugs. LAPD's strategies include reducing the supply side of intellectual property crime by focusing enforcement on repeat offenders and chronic crime locations hot spots, evaluating trends and working with other law enforcement partners to prevent crime displacement, and public education.

At its meeting held December 12, 2014, the Public Safety Committee recommended that Council approve LAPD's request to accept the grant, as recommended by the Board of Police Commissioners and the CAO.

Respectfully Submitted,

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

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

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