

COMMUNICATION FROM VICE-CHAIR, PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE relative to the California Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES) Victim Assistance Program Supplemental Funding grant augmentation.

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

1. APPROVE and AUTHORIZE the City Attorney, or designee, to:
 - a. Execute an amendment to the contract between the City and the County of Los Angeles for the Fiscal Year (FY) 2014-15 Victim Assistance Program, to increase the contract amount by \$51,118 from \$993,333 to \$1,044,451 for the period July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2015, subject to the approval of the City Attorney as to form and legality.
 - b. Accept additional grant funding in the amount of \$51,118 from the County of Los Angeles for the FY 2014-15 Victim Assistance Program.
2. AUTHORIZE the Controller to:
 - a. Increase the receivable within Fund 368 for the FY 2014-15 Victim Assistance Program in the amount of \$51,118.
 - b. Increase appropriation account 12L301 - Victim Assistance Program by \$51,118.
3. TRANSFER up to \$980,412 from Fund 368/12, Account 12L301 to Fund 100/12, Account 5301, Reimbursement from Other Funds / Depts upon receipt of grant funds for reimbursement of salaries and fringe benefits.
4. AUTHORIZE the City Attorney to prepare Controller instructions for any necessary 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 the total cost of the Victim Assistance Program is \$1,358,922, of which \$1,044,451 will be reimbursed by the County of Los Angeles for salaries, operating expenses, and fringe benefits. The General Fund impact will be \$314,471 in related costs for central services and department administration. The acceptance of the use of the grant funds is consistent with City financial policies in that budgeted appropriations will be balanced against receipts expected from the continuation of the grant.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

SUMMARY

In a report to the Mayor and Council dated May 15, 2015, the CAO states that the City Attorney requests authority to accept an additional \$51,118 in grant funding for the 35th year of the Victim Assistance Program. The Cal OES grant award to the County of Los Angeles has increased to \$4,177,805 to provide victim-witness services. As a result, \$1,044,451 will be awarded by the County of Los Angeles to the City Attorney's Office as a sub-recipient for the grant period of July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2015. The additional \$51,118 in grant funding is

primarily budgeted for expenses, including new computers, software, printing program brochures, and increased funding for the emergency fund. The CAO recommends approval of the City Attorney's request and related actions.

At the Public Safety Committee meeting held May 22, 2015, the Committee Vice-Chair recommended that Council authorize the City Attorney to accept the additional grant funding for the Victim Assistance Program, as recommended by the CAO.

Respectfully Submitted,

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE



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

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