

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the California Victim Compensation and Government Claims Board grant award.

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

1. APPROVE the grant award between the City of Los Angeles and the County of Los Angeles and AUTHORIZE the City Attorney, or designee, to execute the grant award in the amount of \$689,354 for continuation funding in support of the Joint Powers of Verification Unit for the period of July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2015, subject to the approval of the City Attorney as to form and legality.
2. AUTHORIZE the City Attorney, or designee, to accept grant funding in the amount of \$689,354 from the California Victim Compensation and Government Claims Board and the County of Los Angeles.
3. AUTHORIZE the Controller to:
  - a. Establish a receivable within Fund 368 in the amount of \$689,354 from the County of Los Angeles.
  - b. Establish the following appropriation account within Fund 368:

<u>Account Title</u>	<u>Amount</u>
12L501 FY 14-15 JPVU	\$689,354
  - c. Transfer \$508,385 from Fund 368/12, Account 12L501 to Fund 100/12, Account 1020 (Salaries, Grant Reimbursed).
4. TRANSFER up to \$177,794 from Fund 368/12, Account 12L501 to Fund 100/12, Account 5301, Reimbursement from Other Funds/Depts upon receipt of reimbursement.
5. 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 Joint Powers of Verification Unit program is \$892,493, of which \$689,354 will be reimbursed by the County of Los Angeles for salaries, fringe benefits, partial central services costs, and expenses. The General Fund impact will be \$203,139 in partial central services costs and department administration costs. The acceptance and use of the grant 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 November 3, 2014 (attached to the Council file), the CAO states that the City Attorney requests authority to accept \$689,354 in grant funding for the

Joint Powers of Verification Unit. Grant funds will be used for salaries, operating expenses, fringe benefits, and partial central services costs for eight positions. These positions will assist victims of crime in submitting and verifying claims for unreimbursed financial losses. The CAO recommends approval of the City Attorney's request.

At its meeting held December 12, 2014, the Public Safety Committee recommended that Council approve the City Attorney's request to accept the grant award, as recommended by 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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