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TO: The Honorable Board of Police Commissioners

FROM: Chief of Police

Richard M. Tefank
RICHARD M. TEFANK
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
10/20/16
DATE

SUBJECT: TRANSMITTAL OF THE GRANT APPLICATION FOR THE 2016-2018
INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY ENFORCEMENT 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 ACCEPT the grant award for the 2016-2018 Intellectual Property Enforcement Grant in the amount up to \$314,653 for the period of October 1, 2016 through September 30, 2018, 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 \$314,653 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 \$314,653 to an appropriation account to be determined within Fund No. 339, Department No. 70, for the receipt and disbursement of the 2016-2018 Intellectual Property Enforcement Grant in accordance with the grant award agreement;
 - F. AUTHORIZE the Controller to increase appropriations for 2016-2018 Intellectual Property Enforcement Grant 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:

\$ 235,990

- G. AUTHORIZE the Controller to transfer appropriations for 2016-2018 Intellectual Property Enforcement Grant, as needed from appropriation account to be determined in Fund No. 339, Department No. 70 to the City Attorney's Office Fund No. 100, Department No. 12, in the amount as follows:

Account No. 1010, Salaries General	\$ 28,255
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- a. AUTHORIZE the City Council to Instruct the City Clerk to place on Council Calendar for July 1, 2017 the following action relative to the Intellectual Property Enforcement grant:
- i. That the City Council, subject to the approval of the Mayor, AUTHORIZE the Controller to transfer \$40,477 from Fund 339, Department 70, Account to be determined to Fund 100, Department 12, Account 1010 Salaries General.
- b. AUTHORIZE the City Council to Instruct the City Clerk to place on Council Calendar for July 1, 2018, the following action relative to the Intellectual Property Enforcement grant:
- i. That the City Council, subject to the approval of the Mayor, AUTHORIZE the Controller to transfer \$9,931 from Fund 339, Department 70, Account to be determined to Fund 100, Department 12, Account 1010 Salaries General
- H. 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; and
- I. RESOLVE that that the position authority in the City Attorney's Office be continued until September 30, 2018, for one Deputy City Attorney II (0551) position.

DISCUSSION

The LAPD was a recipient of the FY 2009, 2010, 2011, 2013 and 2014 Intellectual Property Enforcement grants. As a result 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 \$314,653 grant award to fund a project entitled "*Reducing and Preventing Intellectual Property Crime in the City of Los Angeles.*" The LAPD Anti-Piracy Unit, working in partnership with the Los Angeles City Attorney, proposes a multi-faceted approach to continue to reduce and prevent IP crime in Los Angeles. 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 following are the objectives under the proposed grant: 1. Reduce the supply side of IP crime by reducing the number of repeat IP crime offenses and the number of chronic IP crime locations or "hot spots;" 2. Develop and evaluate additional strategies to address the

changing trends and kinds of IP crime and to prevent IP crime linkages to other national/international crimes; 3. Reduce the demand for IP crime by educating the public about the economic and personal dangers of IP crime; and 4. Prevent IP crime displacement by sharing best practices.

The LAPD will allocate \$235,990 for sworn overtime to investigators in the Anti-Piracy Unit to implement strategies and tactics in fighting highly-organized and upwardly mobile repeat offenders. The City Attorney's office has been allocated \$78,663 for salary costs to partially fund a Deputy City Attorney II who will dedicate 43% of their time to prosecute Intellectual Property related crimes as well as participate in task force efforts, training and outreach. Additional prosecutorial resources will address a significant gap in IP criminal case filings. Following City Attorney staff reductions during the City's fiscal crisis, criminal IP case filing rates dropped more than 70% from 2009 to 2013. Through grant resources, a Deputy City Attorney will implement a vertical prosecution approach to IP enforcement to improve public safety. This approach entails direct handling of criminal IP matters investigated by LAPD's Anti-Piracy Unit commencing with case filing through the criminal prosecution steps and ongoing sentencing compliance thereafter.

If you have any questions, please contact Chief Information Officer Maggie Goodrich, Commanding Officer, Information Technology Bureau, at (213) 486-0370.

Respectfully,



CHARLIE BECK
Chief of Police

BOARD OF
POLICE COMMISSIONERS
Approved *October 25 2016*
Secretary *Maria Loba*

Attachments