



Request for City Council Committee Action from the Department of Police

Date: September 12, 2014

To: **Blong Yang – Chair, Public Safety, Civil Rights and Emergency Management**

Referral to: **John Quincy – Chair, Ways and Means Committee
City Council**

Subject: **Permission to Accept Grant Funds and Execute a Grant Award for the Federal 2014 Paul Coverdell Forensic Science Improvement Program**

Recommendation: That the Police Department be authorized to accept a grant award of \$93,888 from the U.S. Dept. of Justice – National Institute of Justice and execute a contract with them. The Department also requests an amendment to the general appropriation resolution for 2014 in the amount of \$93,888. The funds will operate through Federal grant fund, 01300-4004400-321010.

Previous Directives: The Police Department has been fortunate to receive three other state Coverdell grant awards for Crime Lab since 2011 to support general expenses and upgrades as well as five federal Coverdell grants for specific project upgrades.

Department Information

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Approved by: Robin McPherson, Director of Finance - Police

Presenters in Committee: Robin McPherson, Director of Finance - Police

Reviews

- Permanent Review Committee (PRC): Approval ___ Date _____
- Civil Rights Approval Approval ___ Date _____
- Policy Review Group (PRG): Approval ___ Date _____

Financial Impact *(delete all lines not applicable to your request)*

- Action requires an appropriation increase to the Capital Budget or Operating Budget
Dept Name: Police
Fund Name: federal grant fund, 01300-4004400
Project Name & Number (if capital budget): _____ - _____
Amount: \$ 93,888
- Action provides increased revenue for appropriation increase
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Project Name & Number (if capital budget): _____ - _____

Amount: \$ 93,888

- Action is within the Business Plan

Community Impact

- Neighborhood Notification
- City Goals
- Comprehensive Plan
- Zoning Code
- Other

Supporting Information

The Police Department requests permission to accept a grant award of \$93,888 under the U.S. Dept. of Justice – National Institute of Justice, 2014 Paul Coverdell Forensic Science Improvement Grant Program. The grant will be used primarily to purchase portable laser and multi-wavelength light sources for the Crime Laboratory that will increase their capabilities and efficiencies, particularly in evidence collection in the field but also with evidence identification and analysis in the Crime Lab.