



Request for City Council Committee Action from the Department of Police

Date: December 14, 2010

To: Public Safety and Health Committee

Referral to: Ways and Means Committee

Subject: **Permission to Accept Grant Funds and Execute a Grant Agreement for the Coverdell Forensic Science Improvement Program**

Recommendation: That the Police Department be authorized to accept \$72,585 from the Minnesota Department of Public Safety – Office of Justice Programs and execute a contract with them. The Department also requests an amendment to the general appropriation resolution for 2011 in the amount of \$72,585. The funds will operate through Federal grant fund, 01300-4003300-321010.

Previous Directives: The Police Department has been fortunate to receive two other state Coverdell grant awards for Crime Lab expenses/upgrades as well as five federal Coverdell grants for specific project upgrades.

Department Information

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Approved by: Deputy Chief Robert Allen
Presenters in Committee: Deputy Chief Robert Allen

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, 01300-4003300
Project Name & Number (if capital budget): _____
Amount: \$ 72,585
- Action provides increased revenue for appropriation increase
Dept Name: Police
Fund Name: federal grant fund, 01300-4003300-321010
Project Name & Number (if capital budget): _____
Amount: \$ 72,585
- 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 \$72,585 under the Minnesota Department of Public Safety – Office of Justice Programs, Coverdell Forensic Science Improvement Grant Program. The grant will be used to purchase a Crime Laboratory equipment and supplies (both new and updates/replacements), as well as training and the annual costs associated with ASCLD/LAB accreditation.