



---

DATE: May 2, 2012

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Councilmembers

FROM: Police Department

SUBJECT: **ACCEPTANCE OF \$318,957 IN GRANT FUNDS FOR THE COPS 2012 GRANT PROGRAM**

### **SYNOPSIS**

Staff and the Police and Fire Commission recommend that the City Council accept grant funds in the total amount of \$318,957 from the State of California Law Enforcement Services Account (LLESA) and Local Safety and Protection Account (LSPA) awarded to the City of Oceanside for the COPS 2012 Grant Program; appropriate these funds to the Police Department; and authorize the City Manager or his designee to execute all grant documents.

### **BACKGROUND**

The City of Oceanside has received funds from the State of California since the inception of the Citizen's Option for Public Safety (COPS) Program in Fiscal Year 1996-97. The City established an interest-bearing State Supplemental Law Enforcement Services Funds (SLESF) fund, as required by statute. The COPS grants have been used to fund personnel and equipment, consistent with the guidelines set forth in California Government Code Sections 30061-30065.

The State of California 2011 Budget provides \$214.2 million for the Local Law Enforcement Services Account (LLESA) in the Local Revenue Fund 2011 for the purposes of the Citizen's Option for Public Safety (COPS) program and the Juvenile Justice Crime Prevention Act (JJCPA) program. Pursuant to Government Code 30061, the COPS program will receive \$107.1 million from the LLESA in 2011-2012. In addition, it is estimated COPS will receive \$10.35 million from LSPA in 2011-2012. Pursuant to current law, the State Controller is required to allocate the COPS funds to each County that has established a SLESF in accordance with Section 30061.

On November 4, 2011, the Oceanside Police Department (OPD) received notification from the County of San Diego regarding the availability of COPS funding for the State's fiscal year 2011-2012. The City of Oceanside's share of COPS funds generated from LLESA is \$271,579. Additionally, the City's share of the LSPA funds is estimated at \$47,378. To receive the funds, OPD is required to submit an expenditure plan approved by the City Council for the total of \$319,137 for subsequent review by the County of San

Diego Supplemental Law Enforcement Oversight Committee (SLEOC). Based on prior year actual disbursements from the LSPA fund as compared to the estimated allocation, OPD staff believes the City of Oceanside will not receive the full \$47,378, thus reducing the grant award. Due to these concerns and the past practice of allocating the grant funds to be expended in the fiscal year following the appropriation, staff did not immediately begin the process to have the City Council approve the expenditure plan.

## **ANALYSIS**

The County of San Diego will disburse the LLESA funds of \$271,579 to the City of Oceanside once the Supplemental Law Enforcement Oversight Committee (SLEOC) certifies receipt of the expenditure plan approved by the City Council. The estimated LSPA funds of \$47,378 will be distributed by the County of San Diego on a quarterly basis as they are received from the State.

OPD staff has prepared a budget for a total of \$319,957; the official COPS 2011-2012 funds allocation of \$271,579; the estimated \$47,378 LSPA funds; and an estimated interest income of \$1,000. Items on the budget are ranked in order by department needs.

Programs to be funded are as follows:

- School Resource Officer (SRO) Program - \$103,000 - OPD has funded a portion of the SRO Program with COPS grant awards since FY 2004-2005. This allocation will cover the major portion of one officer's salary and benefits for the School Year 2012-2013.
- Gang and Violent Crime Suppression Details \$75,000 - This allocation will provide for approximately 1,150 hours of overtime and benefits for gang and violent crime suppression details. OPD currently uses the COPS 2011 award and federal grant awards for these details, which have had a significant impact on violent crime, especially in the downtown area and gang-infested neighborhoods.
- Digital Evidence Project - \$39,750 - This software and hardware will allow officers to upload authenticated images into a secure repository and makes obsolete the need to burn images to compact discs for eventual storage at the Police Evidence Facility. The expenditure also includes the cost of the annual software maintenance agreement.
- Evidence Facility Security Project - \$30,400 - Cameras and card readers will be installed in critical locations in the Police Department Evidence Facility to help ensure the integrity of the evidence collected by officers for subsequent investigation and prosecution. This project includes the purchase of hardware and installation costs.
- Global Positioning Systems (GPS) Project - \$14,300 - GPS devices provide the Officer's location in the event of an emergency and give dispatchers the Officer's

position so they can better utilize them as a resource to respond to calls for service. This project will purchase and install GPS devices in ten Police motorcycles, which are currently the only vehicles assigned to patrol operations that are not outfitted with GPS devices.

- Command Vehicle A.V. Project - \$11,600 - This video upgrade includes the cost of software, hardware and labor for installation of a system that will allow for the image on the vehicle's "Smartboard" to be cloned and transmitted to other monitors located in and around the command vehicle during an operation.
- Inventory Control System Expansion - \$18,870 - This project includes the purchase and installation of additional lockers that store valuable equipment for electronic check-out by Officers. This inventory system provides for accountability and has been proven effective. The expansion is necessary to incorporate additional equipment storage.
- Shotgun Project - \$25,000 - OPD will acquire 30 shotguns and soft cases for the new shotguns and shotguns currently in the Department inventory. With the additional shotguns, OPD will have the capability to issue a shotgun to all patrol officers and have a set number of spare shotguns for non-patrol officers.

The Financial Services Department set up business unit account 817124700217 to track revenue and expenditures for this grant. This is an interest-bearing account as required by the grant; the investment income will be expended as it is accrued and in a manner consistent with the program guidelines. OPD anticipates using these funds to purchase equipment used for police officer defensive tactics training.

These funds must be expended by June 30, 2013. As per Government Code Section 30061: funds not expended by June 30, 2013, must be returned to the Controller of the State of California. The City Treasurer is required to provide a Supplemental Law Enforcement Services Fund (SLESF) investment report to the Police Chief as per Section 30063 of AB1913. An annual report of allocations will be submitted to the Supplemental Law Enforcement Oversight Committee (SLEOC) or directly to the State Controller as per the requirements set forth in Section 30063.

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

The County of San Diego will disburse \$271,759 from the LLESA fund to the City of Oceanside once the Supplemental Law Enforcement Oversight Committee certifies receipt of the expenditure plan approved by the City Council. The County of San Diego will disburse the LSPA funds estimated at \$47,378 as they are received from the State on a quarterly basis. The funds from the LSPA will not be expended before the revenue is received from the County. If there is a negative cash balance at fiscal year-end due to a pending reimbursement from the grantor, the business unit will receive a temporary advance from the general fund that is not to exceed 60 days. There is no matching fund requirement.

The SLESF grant funds will be deposited into the COPS 2012 revenue account 817124700217.4376, and appropriated to the business unit for the City's fiscal year 2012-2013 as detailed in the following table.

<b>Expenditures</b>	<b>Appropriation</b>	<b>Business Unit</b>
School Resource Officer Program	\$103,000	817124700217.6900.0272
Overtime for Gang & Violent Crime Suppression Details	\$73,925	817124700217.5120
Benefits for Overtime	\$1,075	817124700217.5207
"Quetel" Digital Evidence Project	\$39,750	817124700217.5704
Global Positioning Systems (GPS)	\$14,300	817124700217.5704
Evidence Facility Security Project	\$30,400	817124700217.5704
Command Vehicle A.V. Project	\$11,600	817124700217.5704
Inventory Control System Expansion	\$18,870	817124700217.5704
Shotgun Project	\$25,000	817124700217.5330
Defensive Tactics Equipment	\$1,000	817124700217.5355
<b>Total Grant Fund Appropriations</b>	<b>\$319,957</b>	
<b>Revenues</b>	<b>Appropriation</b>	<b>Business Unit</b>
LLESA Allocation	\$271,579	817124700217.4376
LPSA Allocation	\$47,378	817124700217.4376
Interest Income	\$1,000	817124700217.41216.0001
<b>Total Budget</b>	<b>\$319,957</b>	

### **INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS**

Does not apply.

**COMMISSION OR COMMITTEE REPORT**

The Police & Fire Commission reviewed this matter at its regular scheduled meeting on April 19, 2012, and recommended City Council approval of staff recommendations.

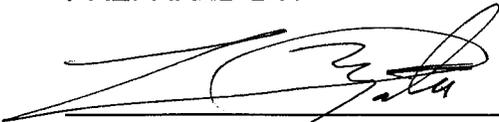
**CITY ATTORNEY'S ANALYSIS**

Does not apply.

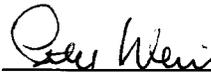
**RECOMMENDATION**

Staff and the Police and Fire Commission recommend that the City Council accept grant funds in the total amount of \$318,957 from the State of California Law Enforcement Services Account (LLESA) and Local Safety and Protection Account (LSPA) awarded to the City of Oceanside for the COPS 2012 Grant Program; appropriate these funds to the Police Department; and authorize the City Manager or his designee to execute all grant documents.

PREPARED BY:

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Leonard Mata  
Police Lieutenant

SUBMITTED BY:

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Peter A. Weiss  
City Manager

REVIEWED BY:

Michelle Skaggs Lawrence, Deputy City Manager  
Frank McCoy, Police Chief  
Teri Ferro, Financial Services Director

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_