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SUBJECT: Continued Partnership with Los Angeles County for the Assignment of a Deputy District Attorney to Prosecute Crimes Involving Juveniles and Gang Members in Long Beach (Citywide)

DISCUSSION

On June 3, 2003, the City Council, for the fifth consecutive year, approved a waiver of the direct receipt of City of Long Beach's allocation of federal Juvenile Accountability Incentive Block Grant (JAIBG) program funds to Los Angeles County. This approval authorized Los Angeles County to use those funds to continue the assignment of a Deputy District Attorney devoted to prosecuting crimes involving juveniles and gang members in Long Beach.

The City of Long Beach has received a sixth year of funding from the Juvenile Accountability Block Grant (JABG), formerly JAIBG, administered by the state Board of Corrections (BOC). The allocation for the 2004-2005 program year is \$136,129, which must be expended on juvenile accountability in the criminal justice system.

The County of Los Angeles has indicated a willingness to continue its partnership with the City of Long Beach under this program. This collaboration will enable the City to continue its cooperative effort with the District Attorney's Office to prosecute crimes involving juveniles and gang members. This is the sixth year of a highly successful program, in which the Long Beach Police Department is provided a Deputy District Attorney assigned by the County to prosecute the most violent youthful offenders as adults.

This item was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney J. Charles Parkin and Budget Manager Michael Killebrew on May 18, 2004.

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TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action on this matter is requested on June 1, 2004 to meet the June 20, 2004 deadline for submission of the waiver to the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office.

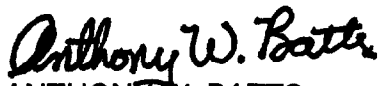
FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact associated with this request. If approved, funding will be awarded directly to the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office to support prosecution of juvenile offenders.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE CITY COUNCIL:

Authorize the City Manager to execute a waiver of direct receipt of the City of Long Beach's sixth year allocation of \$136,129 in Juvenile Accountability Block Grant program funds to Los Angeles County, in return for continued assignment of a Los Angeles County Deputy District Attorney devoted to prosecuting crimes involving juveniles and gang members in Long Beach.

Respectfully submitted,


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APPROVED:


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