

CITY OF LONG BEACH **C-14**

POLICE DEPARTMENT

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Chief of Police

August 4, 2009

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
City of Long Beach
California

RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the City Manager to execute all necessary documents to receive and expend grant funding from the California Office of Traffic Safety for the 2010 Selective Traffic Enforcement Program and increase appropriations in the General Grants Fund (SR) and in the Police Department (PD) by \$375,725. (Citywide)

DISCUSSION

In June 2009, the Long Beach Police Department received the 2010 Selective Traffic Enforcement Program (STEP) grant for \$375,725 from the California Office of Traffic Safety. The goal of the grant is to reduce the number of persons killed and injured in alcohol-involved crashes. "Best practice" strategies will be conducted on an overtime basis. The funded strategies include DUI/Driver's License checkpoints and DUI saturation patrols. Court sting operations will focus on DUI offenders with suspended or revoked driver licenses who get behind the wheel after leaving court. These strategies are designed to earn media attention thus enhancing the overall deterrent effect. An appropriation increase for this grant in the amount of \$375,725 is necessary and will be fully offset by grant revenue.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Gary Anderson on June 30, 2009, and Budget and Performance Management Bureau Manager David Wodynski on July 2, 2009.

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TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action on this matter is requested on August 4, 2009, to expedite use of the grant funds.

FISCAL IMPACT

The Selective Traffic Enforcement Program grant is currently unbudgeted; therefore, an appropriation increase is included in the recommendation. Grant revenues will offset the expense appropriation and the grant does not require any matching funds, and there is no impact to the General Fund.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.


Respectfully submitted,



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CHIEF OF POLICE

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APPROVED:



PATRICK H. WEST
CITY MANAGER