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City Council
Sacramento, California

GR-2002-015

Honorable Members in Session:

SUBJECT: ACCEPTANCE OF STATE FUNDING FROM THE CITIZENS' OPTION FOR PUBLIC SAFETY PROGRAM (COPS).

LOCATION AND COUNCIL DISTRICT: Citywide

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the City Council adopt the attached Resolution to:

- Accept \$837,839 in Funding from Citizens' Option for Public Safety (COPS) Program.

CONTACT PERSON: Arturo Venegas, Jr., Chief of Police, 433-0800

FOR COUNCIL MEETING OF: October 29, 2002

SUMMARY:

The State of California has allocated a total of \$837,839 in funding to the Police Department for the Citizens' Option for Public Safety (COPS) Program. The COPS Program, established in 1996, provides funding to local governments for public safety programs. The Police Department is requesting approval to accept and use COPS funding for improvements and upgrading the Police Department's Metro Command Center at 625 H St, for communications equipment and improvements for the new Police "911" Center, and remodel of other Police Facilities.

COMMITTEE/COMMISSION ACTION:

None.

BACKGROUND:

The State COPS program provides funding to local City and County law enforcement agencies for public safety purposes. In 1996, the Legislature enacted AB3229, which created the COPS program. Under this program, counties and cities receive state funds, on a population basis, to augment public safety expenditures. This year, the COPS program has again appropriated funding from the State General Fund for use by local government for the purpose of ensuring public safety towards front-line law enforcement. The Police Department is requesting approval to accept and use State COPS funding in the amount of \$837,839. The Police Department proposes that COPS program funds be used in the upgrading of the Police Metro Command Center at 625 H St, for communications equipment and improvements for the new Police "911" Center, and remodel of other Police Facilities.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS:

State funding available through the COPS programs is allocated to local City and County governments for public safety purposes. This program provides a minimum funding amount of \$100,000 in addition to prorated per capita amounts. The total allocation to the Sacramento Police Department is \$837,839. There is no cash match required for this program.

ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS:

This activity does not constitute a "project" and is therefore exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), CEQA Guidelines Sections 15061(b)(1) and 15378(b)(3).

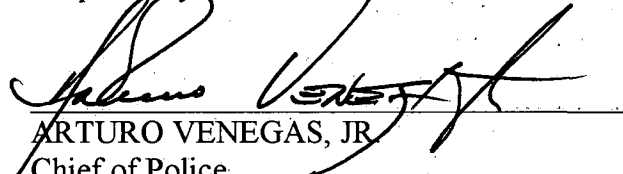
POLICY CONSIDERATIONS:

Accepting COPS funds is consistent with the City's mission to protect, preserve, and enhance the quality of life for present and future generations. It is also consistent with past practices of using State Public Safety funding to enhance law enforcement operations. The Police Department has received and used COPS funding in previous years.

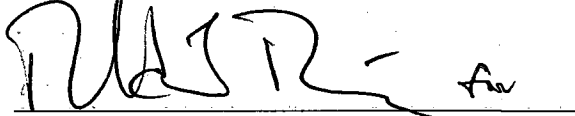
E/SBD CONSIDERATIONS:

Materials and services will be procured in accordance with the City's Emerging and Small Business Development program requirements (E/SBD).

Respectfully submitted:

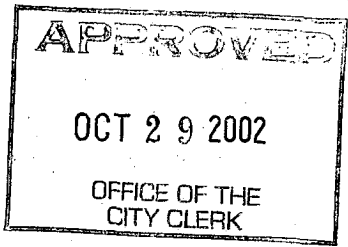

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RECOMMENDATION APPROVED:



ROBERT P. THOMAS
City Manager

AV: JJ
REF: 10-4
Attachment



RESOLUTION NO. 2002-722

ADOPTED BY THE SACRAMENTO CITY COUNCIL

ON DATE OF _____

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE USE OF FUNDS FROM CITIZEN'S
OPTION FOR PUBLIC SAFETY (COPS) PROGRAM**

WHEREAS the City of Sacramento desires to use funds from the Citizen's Option for Public Safety (COPS) Program to supplement law enforcement services;

NOW THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SACRAMENTO THAT:

1. The City Manager of the City of Sacramento, or his designated representative, is authorized on behalf of the City Council which is the governing body of the City of Sacramento, to accept COPS program funds in the amount of \$837,839;
2. The funds be approved for use in the upgrading of the Metro Command Center (625 H Street), for the purchase of communications equipment and other related items and improvements for the new Police "911" Center, and remodel of other Police Facilities.
3. The City of Sacramento's allocation of COPS funds will be deposited into a separate Supplemental Law Enforcement Services Fund;
4. The Program Operating Budget (255-EFP-EXXX-4XXX) will be increased by \$837,839; and
5. The Program Revenue Budget (255-EFP-EXXX-3XXX) will be increased by \$837,839.

MAYOR

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK

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RESOLUTION NO.: _____

DATE ADOPTED: _____