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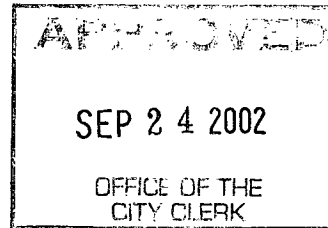
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City Council
Sacramento, California

2002-013



Honorable Members in Session

SUBJECT: SUPPLEMENTAL FUNDING AGREEMENT FROM OFFICE OF COMMUNITY ORIENTED POLICING SERVICES FOR SACRAMENTO POLICE DEPARTMENT TO PROVIDE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

LOCATION AND COUNCIL DISTRICT: Citywide

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the City Council adopt the attached Resolution which authorizes the City Manager, or his designated representative, to:

1. Execute an agreement with the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) for Sacramento Police Department to provide technical assistance to agencies for the study of racial profiling; and
2. Amend both the expense and revenue budgets.

CONTACT PERSONS:

Arturo Venegas, Jr., Chief of Police, 433-0800
Captain Sam Somers, Office of the Chief, 433-0805

FOR COUNCIL MEETING OF: September 24, 2002

SUMMARY:

In February 2000, City Council approved a Police Department proposal to implement a data collection and analysis project to help determine the scope of racial profiling in the city. A primary funding source

The mission of the Sacramento Police Department is to work in partnership with the Community to protect life and property; solve neighborhood problems, and enhance the quality of life in our City.

for the project, U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS), has offered an additional \$100,000 in grant funding for the Sacramento Police Department to continue providing technical assistance to COPS grantee agencies that collect racial profiling data.

COMMITTEE/COMMISSION ACTION: None

BACKGROUND:

In February 2000, as part of the InfoCOM accountability strategy proposed to City Council, the Police Department received approval to develop and implement a data collection project on traffic stop demographics to study the issue of racial profiling. In May 2000, the Police Department returned to Council with an update on the status of the implementation plan with additional plans to seek grants and funding from other agencies to cover costs for the project rather than to request an augmentation to the Department budget from the General Fund. The Police Department was awarded \$200,000 from the COPS Office as part of the Police as Problem Solvers and Peacekeepers initiative for its study on racial profiling. In addition to responding to numerous requests for assistance and information over the course of the project, in Spring 2002, the Police Department, in accordance with grant requirements, began providing technical assistance to eight COPS grantee agencies who have implemented their own data collection projects. The COPS Office will soon fund a new group of agencies for the same purposes and has asked the Sacramento Police Department to continue providing guidance and sharing its experiences as a model for one of the most comprehensive data collection projects on racial profiling.

Building on the success and reputation of the data collection project, the Police Department proposes to provide technical assistance on a large scale by hosting a Western Regional Racial Profiling Summit in late Spring 2003. The chief purpose of the summit is to draw agencies together in their commitment to provide unbiased policing services – whether the commitment is demonstrated through data collection and analysis, community involvement, training, accountability measures or a combination. In addition to presenting Sacramento's data collection project, the summit workshops would feature speakers, presenters, and panelists who are local community members who served on the data collection advisory committee, subject matter experts and the Regional Community Policing Institute. Hosting the summit in Sacramento would attract the attention and participation of communities and law enforcement agencies in the western U.S. who have not been able to attend other national conferences. Though the goal is to reinforce our commitment to unbiased policing, the intent is to help move law enforcement closer to establishing standards for implementing projects to address the perceptions of racial profiling and bias-based policing. Gathering agencies together in a forum such as this offers a prime opportunity to achieve this goal.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS:

In accordance with the February 2000 proposal, project costs for the data collection and analysis of traffic stop information have been and continue to be funded through grants. The Police Department will use the additional COPS funds to host the summit, cover employee expenses and program administration, and provide additional technical assistance as requested by grantee agencies. In addition, as part of the grant requirements, funds will be used to support travel expenses for the grantees who will receive technical

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assistance from the Police Department. The Police Department will also act as the administrator of funds throughout the course of the data collection project. The Police Department program budget will be increased by \$100,000.

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) and 15378(b)(3).

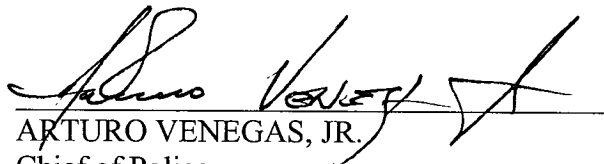
POLICY CONSIDERATIONS:

Acceptance of funding for the data collection project on racial profiling is consistent with the City's policy to enhance the quality of life for its residents.

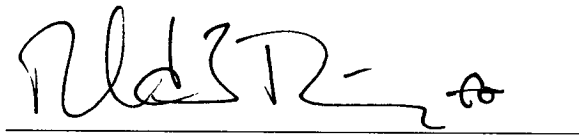
ESBD CONSIDERATIONS:

Goods and services purchased for this project will be in accordance with the Emerging and Small Business Development program requirements.

Respectfully submitted:


ARTURO VENEGAS, JR.
Chief of Police

RECOMMENDATION APPROVED:


ROBERT P. THOMAS
City Manager

AV:tdj
REF: 9-2
Attachment

APPROVED
SEP 24 2002
OFFICE OF THE
CITY CLERK

RESOLUTION NO. 2002-640

ADOPTED BY THE SACRAMENTO CITY COUNCIL

ON DATE OF _____

RESOLUTION REGARDING THE SACRAMENTO POLICE DEPARTMENT'S ACCEPTANCE OF A SUPPLEMENTAL FUNDING AGREEMENT FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, OFFICE OF COMMUNITY ORIENTED POLICING SERVICES TO PROVIDE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

WHEREAS the City of Sacramento desires to provide the best, unbiased professional service to every segment of the community;

NOW THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SACRAMENTO THAT THE CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZES THE CITY MANAGER, OR A DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVE, TO:

1. Execute an agreement, including any extensions, agreements, modifications or amendments thereof, with the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Community Oriented Policing Services to provide technical assistance to law enforcement agencies for the study of racial profiling;
2. Increase the program budget by a total of \$100,000 as follows:

255-OGR-GXXX-41XX	(Labor)	\$ 23,000
255-OGR-GXXX-4264	(Travel)	\$ 16,000
255-OGR-GXXX-4411	(Supplies)	\$ 15,000
255-OGR-GXXX-4XXX	(Operating Expenses)	\$ 46,000
3. Increase the revenue budget (255-OGR-GXXX-3XXX) by \$100,000.
4. Establish a labor offset for FY 2002/2003 as follows:

101-210-21XX-41XX	\$17,250
101-210-21XX-4715	<\$17,250>

MAYOR

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK

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DATE ADOPTED: _____