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**City Council  
Sacramento, California**

**Honorable Members in Session:**

**SUBJECT: CALIFORNIA OFFICE OF TRAFFIC SAFETY GRANT PROGRAM**

**LOCATION AND COUNCIL DISTRICT: Citywide**

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends that City Council adopt the attached Resolution to accept \$450,000 in grant funding from the California Office of Traffic Safety and add one (1) FTE to oversee the grant program.

**CONTACT PERSON: Chief of Police, Albert Nájera, 433-0800  
Lieutenant Bill Beermann, Metro Section, 433-0714**

**FOR COUNCIL MEETING OF: June 14, 2005**

**SUMMARY:**

The Sacramento City Council has identified traffic and pedestrian safety as a high priority to reduce traffic-related injuries and fatalities in the City of Sacramento. The Police Department is requesting City Council's approval to accept \$450,000 in grant funding from the California Office of Traffic Safety (OTS) to implement a Regional Street Racing Task Force to conduct enforcement operations. This program will be administered and managed by the Sacramento Police Department. If awarded, this grant will fund: one full-time Sergeant to serve as the Program Coordinator; Sworn Officer overtime to conduct street racing enforcement operations; and traffic safety equipment and supplies. The term of the grant program is for two years beginning July 1, 2005 to May 31, 2007. One (1) FTE at the Sergeant level will be added to the Police Department staffing for the two-year term of this program.

**COMMITTEE/COMMISSION ACTION: None**

*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.*

**BACKGROUND:**

The Sacramento Police Department is requesting approval to accept \$450,000 in grant funding from the State Office of Traffic Safety (OTS) to implement a Regional Street Racing Task Force. The purpose of this Regional Task Force is to conduct “large-scale” enforcement operations targeting violations for “speed contests” and street-racing vehicles operating with illegally modified emission systems. Due to the large number of spectators witnessing these impromptu events, the risk of death and injury increases significantly if a crash occurs. Participants in these illegal activities are considered by OTS as “high-risk” and “hard to reach” groups. A comprehensive “Train-the-Trainer” program will be established to provide Sworn Officers with the expertise necessary to identify illegally modified vehicles. Program partners for this Regional Task Force will primarily include the California Highway Patrol and Sacramento County Sheriff’s Department. The Sacramento Police Department will manage, administer and coordinate the implementation of this program. Grant funding will support the following components:

- One Full-time Police Sergeant as Regional Task Force Coordinator responsible for overseeing and managing the project goals and objectives.
- Sworn Officer overtime for Joint Task Force Operations and Training Programs.
- Equipment costs for surveillance supplies, computer hardware, educational materials and program promotional items.

The OTS grant will fund the entire cost of the program. No grant funding matches are required. To implement this program, the Police Department is requesting the addition of one FTE Sergeant position. Grant funding will pay the total cost of the salary for the Sergeant position. The term of the grant program is for two years beginning July 1, 2005 to May 31, 2007. At the end of the grant, the FTE will be eliminated and staff will be absorbed through attrition.

**FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS:**

OTS grant funding will pay for the actual costs associated with implementing this Regional Street Racing Task Force. No grant matching funds are required. OTS is funding the full cost of the program’s labor, equipment, supplies and contractual expenses. The Police Department is adding one additional FTE at the Sergeant level to implement this program. This program is revenue neutral to the general fund. In summary, the grant will provide funding for up to \$450,000 for the following:

One Full-time Sergeant Task Force Coordinator Position	\$243,110
Sworn Officer Overtime (Street Racing Enforcement)	80,000
Overtime for Task Force Partners and Training	80,000
Traffic Equipment and Supplies	38,890
Travel (OTS sponsored)	8,000
Total	<u>\$450,000</u>

**POLICY CONSIDERATIONS:**

Accepting OTS funding is consistent with previously adopted policy directed at citywide implementation of traffic and pedestrian safety programs.

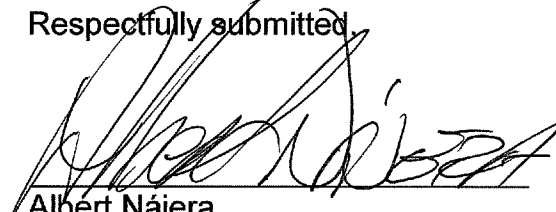
**ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS:**

This proposal does not constitute a "project" and is therefore exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act according to CEQA guidelines Section 15061 (b)(1) and 15378(b)(3).

**ESBD/SBE EFFORTS:**

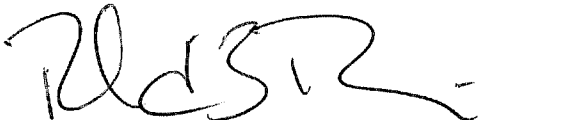
Goods or services purchased, as a result of this agreement, will be acquired in accordance with the City's ESBD/SBE policy.

Respectfully submitted,



Albert Nájera  
Chief of Police

**RECOMMENDATION APPROVED:**



Robert P. Thomas  
City Manager

Ref: COP 5-42

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Attachments

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RESOLUTION NO.  
ADOPTED BY THE SACRAMENTO CITY COUNCIL  
ON DATE OF \_\_\_\_\_

**AUTHORIZATION TO ACCEPT CALIFORNIA OFFICE OF  
TRAFFIC SAFETY GRANT FUNDING**

WHEREAS, the Sacramento City Council has identified traffic and pedestrian safety as a high priority to reduce traffic-related injuries and fatalities in the City of Sacramento; and

WHEREAS, the City of Sacramento has received a \$450,000 grant from the State of California Office of Traffic Safety;

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

1. The City Manager of the City of Sacramento, or a designated representative, is hereby authorized to accept, on behalf of the City of Sacramento, grant funding from the Office of Traffic Safety, including any extensions or amendments thereof, to implement a comprehensive Regional Street Racing Task Force.
2. The Grant Operating Expense and Revenue budgets shall be amended as follows:

Grant Revenue Budget:

255-OGR-GXXX-3511	Grant Revenue Budget	\$450,000
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Grant Expenditure Budget:

255-OGR-GXXX-41XX	Labor	\$243,110
255-OGR-GXXX-4110	Labor Overtime	80,000
255-OGR-GXXX-4XXX	Equipment & Supplies	38,890
255-OGR-GXXX-4XXX	Travel/Conference	8,000
255-OGR-GXXX-4XXX	Contractual Services	<u>80,000</u>
Total Grant Expense		\$450,000

3. The Police Department's staffing will be increased by one FTE Sergeant position for the term of the grant program, July 1, 2005 through June 30, 2007.

\_\_\_\_\_  
MAYOR

ATTEST:

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CITY CLERK

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DATE ADOPTED: \_\_\_\_\_