

AGENDA ITEM #: _____

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CITY COUNCIL ACTION REPORT

SUBJECT: Department of Justice Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program Resolution

STAFF PRESENTER(S): Santiago Rodriguez, Chief of Police

OTHER PRESENTER(S): None

Summary: Department of Justice Edward Byrne Memorial JAG Program Grant Resolution.

Recommendation:

ADOPT RESOLUTION 2020-2097 AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF AN APPLICATION FOR THE EDWARD BYRNE MEMORIAL JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT (JAG) PROGRAM FUNDS TO U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE ALL DOCUMENTS RELATING TO SAID APPLICATION, AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A GRANT AGREEMENT (IF GRANT FUNDS ARE AWARDED), AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO APPROVE THE REQUIRED BUDGET TRANSFER (IF GRANT FUNDS ARE AWARDED).

Fiscal Impact: The DOJ Edward Byrne Memorial JAG program is funded by the Department of Justice and managed by the Bureau of Justice Assistance. The grant application amount is \$16,415, with no matching fund requirement from the City of Goodyear.

Background and Previous Actions

Over the past several months, the civil unrest around the country has brought the need for the Goodyear Police Department to establish a trained mobile field force. Scottsdale Arizona experienced damage to its Fashion Square as a result of rioting. Other areas of the valley experienced similar riot activity without the monetary damage incurred by Scottsdale. While Goodyear did not experience the level of unrest that occurred in other areas of the Phoenix metropolitan area, the need for the department to prepare remains. The mobile field force (MFF) will allow the department to quickly deploy a properly equipped and effective work force to protest situations in order to manage the situation with the goal of preventing escalation. The department's initial objective is to obtain MFF equipment to outfit 16 officers.

The Goodyear Police Department is seeking a resolution approving the application for the DOJ Edward Byrne Memorial JAG program funds, and approving the processing of a grant agreement

if grant funding is awarded. If the grant is awarded, a budget transfer will be processed in accordance with adopted policies.

Staff Analysis

The \$16,415 will cover the cost of equipment including, ballistic helmets with face shields, body shields, batons, and arm and leg protection. Once the equipment has been purchased, the identified officers will receive formal MFF training at no cost through an agreement with the City of Glendale Police Department.

Attachments

Resolution 2020-2097