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Memorandum

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

FROM: Anthony Mata

Jim Shannon

SUBJECT: SEE BELOW

DATE: May 23, 2022

Approved

Date

05/24/22

SUBJECT: ACTIONS RELATED TO THE 2021 INTERNET CRIMES AGAINST CHILDREN AWARD

RECOMMENDATION

- (a) Adopt a resolution accepting the 2021 California Governor's Office of Emergency Services (CAL OES) Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force Grant in the amount of \$950,000; and authorizing the City Manager to execute the Grant Agreement and execute additional amendments and all related documents, including online certifications at time of award acceptance and reimbursement requests, without further City Council action.
- (b) Adopt the following 2021-2022 Appropriation Ordinance and Funding Sources Resolution Amendments in the General Fund:
 - (1) Establish the 2021-2022 Internet Crimes Against Children State Grant City-Wide Expenses appropriation to the Police Department in the amount of \$357,171; and
 - (2) Increase the estimate for Revenue from State of California by \$357,171.

OUTCOME

Approval of this recommendation will provide continued grant funding for the ICAC Task Force to investigate and allow for the prosecution of child predators.

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BACKGROUND

Since 1976, commercial child pornography has grown and become more sophisticated as the technology to reproduce and distribute pornography has developed. The internet has enabled child predators to form clubs and other organizations to expand their exploitation of children. The internet provides predators easier access to children, and it allows them greater anonymity. Law enforcement very quickly recognized the danger these predators posed to children and began efforts to combat their activities.

In February 2003, the San José Police Department applied for and was awarded its first ICAC grant from the United States Department of Justice. Since that time, the Police Department has applied for and received several ICAC continuation grants. ICAC grant funding has provided overtime, equipment, vehicles for investigations, and training, including the national ICAC conferences. Funding has also provided equipment and training for investigators from eleven Bay Area counties who participate in the Silicon Valley ICAC Task Force. Investigators from the San José Police Department Child Exploitation Detail (CED) were instrumental in developing the first series of nationwide investigative trainings for ICAC.

The San José Police Department's ICAC Task Force received the first Cal OES Internet Crimes Against Children grant award in 2007

to aid in meeting the objectives outlined above.

In September 2021, the Cal OES Office of Emergency Services released a grant solicitation for FY 2021 Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force Grant Program and the Department submitted a grant application proposal. In April 2022, the application was accepted and approved in the amount of \$950,000. This is a one-year reimbursable grant, and the Department will be responsible to ensure the expenditures are allowable as set forth in the Cal OES Financial Handbook and City Policy and Procedures.

ANALYSIS

The Department has been awarded \$950,000 for the 2021 Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force Grant Program. The grant term is January 1, 2022, through December 31, 2022. This grant will fund activities as they relate to the Silicon Valley Internet Crimes Against Children program including personnel cost, operating supplies, software licenses, equipment, and the Vigilant Parent program; this program provides online safety training for parents to recognize signs when a child may potentially be in danger online and how to keep their children safe on the internet.

The following list provides information on the project budget for the 2021 Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force Grant approved by Cal OES. These estimates are subject to reallocation and/or change over the course of the grant term; however, the total grant amount to the City will remain the same.

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1. \$208,771 of the funds will be used for personal services cost to support a digital forensic analyst position. In addition, funds will be used for Community Service Officers (CSO) overtime to assist in facilitating the Vigilant Parent program.

- 2. \$121,929 of the funds will be utilized for operating costs that include, but not limited to, forensic software licenses and training, memory and drives for data storage, forensic laptops, and software for the Vigilant Parent program.
- 3. \$619,300 of the funds will be utilized for equipment cost that include, but not limited to, investigator forensic towers, health and wellness equipment, and undercover operation camera systems.

Budget Category	FY: 2021-2022	FY: 2022-2023	Total
A. Personal Expenses	\$108,771	\$100,000	\$208,771
B. Operating Expenses	\$60,000	\$61,929	\$121,929
C. Equipment	\$188,400	\$430,900	\$619,300
Total City Appropriation by Fiscal Year	\$357,171	\$592,829	\$950,000

CONCLUSION

The grant award provides critical funding to the Department as it will continue to support and strengthen resources for the Silicon Valley Internet Crime Against Children Task Force.

EVALUATION AND FOLLOW-UP

This memorandum will not require any staff follow up.

CLIMATE SMART SAN JOSE

The recommendation in this memo has no effect on Climate Smart San José energy, water, or mobility goals.

PUBLIC OUTREACH

This memorandum will be posted on the Council Agenda website for the June 7, 2022, City Council meeting.

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COORDINATION

This memorandum has been coordinated with the Office of the City Attorney.

COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION/INPUT

This memorandum does not require input from a board or commission.

COST SUMMARY/IMPLICATIONS

Forensic tools may have minor future maintenance, repair, or monthly service charges. Resulting costs are expected to be absorbed in the Police Department's existing non-personal/equipment base budget.

This project is being funded by the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services and there is no cash or in-kind match requirement with this grant.

BUDGET REFERENCE

The table below identifies the fund and appropriations recommended to be amended as part of this memorandum.

Fund	Appn.	Appn. Name	Current	Recommended	2021-2022	Last Budget
#	#		Appn.	Budget	Adopted	Action (Date,
				Action	Operating	Ord. No.)
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001	R100	Revenue from	\$24,313,560	\$357,171	208	3/22/2022
		State of				Ord. No. 80424
		California				
001	New	Internet Crimes Against Children State Grant 2021- 2022	N/A	\$357,171	N/A	N/A

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CEQA

Not a Project, File No. PP17-004, Government Funding Mechanism or Fiscal Activity with no commitment to a specific project which may result in a potentially significant physical impact on the environment.

/s/

ANTHONY MATA Chief of Police Jin Nannon JIM SHANNON

Budget Director

I hereby certify that there will be available for appropriation in the General Fund in the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 moneys in excess of those heretofore appropriated there from, said excess being at least \$357,171.

JIM SHANNON
Budget Director

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