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Chief of Police



Key West

**POLICE DEPARTMENT**

**TO:** Bogdan Vitas, City Manager  
**FROM:** Donald J. Lee Jr., Chief of Police  
**DATE:** September 24<sup>th</sup>, 2013  
**RE:** Application for the 2013 Byrne Memorial Grant – Local Solicitation

**Action Statement:** Authorize the City of Key West Police Department to accept a Federal grant titled 2013 Edward Byrne Memorial Grant – Local Solicitation in the amount of \$12,935.00. This grant, if accepted, will allow the Police Department to purchase equipment for the effective and efficient operation of the Department.

**Background:** The Key West Police Department has been awarded a series of federal grants to fund our ongoing Information Technology program. This grant, when applied for in July, was originally intended for the purchase of three(3) GETAC next generation in-car computers and monitors to begin the replacement cycle of the current aging units. However, since the PD was awarded funds in its regular budget at the request of IT for this purpose(\$72,000), grant terms and conditions prohibit the purchase of additional computers. The Department, through a grant adjustment notification(GAN), will use these funds instead to purchase additional accessories and equipment to enhance and upgrade our video/audio training simulator. The grant has no matching requirement and the award consists of all Federal Funds thus increasing city revenue.

**Options:** One option is to accept the grant to allow for the purchase of this equipment.

Another option is to not accept the grant and forgo the funding opportunity and revenue provided by this grant.

**Financial Impact:** There would be no financial impact to the City for the purchase of this equipment and there will be no additional recurring costs as a result of this purchase.

**Recommendation:** It is in the best interest of the City of Key West and the Key West Police Department to authorize the acceptance of this grant.



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