

Donald J. Lee, Jr.
Chief of Police



Key West
POLICE DEPARTMENT

TO: Jim Scholl, City Manager
FROM: Donald J. Lee Jr., Chief of Police
DATE: May 17th, 2016
RE: Authorize the Key West Police Department to apply and accept the 2016 Edward Byrne Memorial Grant – Local Solicitation in the amount of \$15,208.

Action Statement: Approve and authorize the Key West Police Department to apply and accept a Federal grant titled 2016 Edward Byrne Memorial Grant – Local Solicitation in the amount of \$15,208.00. This grant, if accepted, will allow the Police Department to purchase equipment for the effective and efficient operation of the Department within the accepted program areas of this grant.

Background: The Key West Police Department has been awarded a series of Federal grants with the Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) on a yearly basis. Past purchases in the program areas of planning, evaluation, and information technology improvement and Law Enforcement Programs have increased the operational efficiency and effectiveness of the department. The application submission deadline for this year's Byrne Grant is June 30th, 2016. This grant will fund the purchase of equipment and/or supplies within the accepted program area of Law Enforcement Programs to enhance the operational capabilities of the department.

The grant has no matching requirement and the award consists of all Federal Funds thus increasing City revenue. The grant application submittal and acceptance of the award are both done through the Office of Justice Programs, Department of Justice website.

Options: One option is to approve and authorize the Department to apply and accept the grant and expend the funds. This will allow reimbursement of \$15,208.00 from the Justice Assistance Grant Program Office.

Another option is to decline the grant and forgo the funding opportunity and revenue provided by this grant.

Financial Impact: The acceptance of the grant will increase grant revenue by \$15,208.00 Account No. 001-0000-331.20-00. The expenditures for the purchase of grant eligible equipment will be budgeted in Account No. 001-2101-521.64-00 for FY 16/17.

Recommendation: We recommend the option to approve and authorize the department to apply and accept the grant and purchase grant funded equipment.



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