

REPORT FROM

OFFICE OF THE CITY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

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Council District: --

To: The Mayor and Council

From: Matthew W. Szabo, City Administrative Officer 

Reference: Board of Police Commissioners Transmittal dated March 11, 2024

Subject: **FISCAL YEAR 2023-24 SELECTIVE TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM GRANT - SUPPLEMENTAL FUNDING**

RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Council, subject to the approval of the Mayor:

1. Authorize the Chief of Police, or designee, to:
 - a. Retroactively apply for and accept supplemental funding for the Fiscal Year (FY) 2023-24 Selective Traffic Enforcement Program (STEP) from the State of California Office of Traffic Safety (OTS) in the amount of \$310,883 for the period of October 1, 2023, through September 30, 2024;
 - b. Execute the revised 2023-24 STEP Grant Agreement on behalf of the City and submit the necessary agreements and documents relative to the grant award, subject to the approval of the City Attorney as to form;
2. Authorize the Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) to:
 - a. Spend up to the new grant amount of \$5,968,883 in accordance with the revised grant award agreement;
 - b. Submit grant reimbursement requests to the grantor and deposit grant receipts in the Police Department Grant Trust Fund No. 339, Department 70; and,
 - c. Prepare Controller instructions for any technical adjustments as necessary to implement Mayor and Council intentions, subject to the approval of the City Administrative Officer, and authorize the Controller to implement the instructions; and,

3. Authorize the Controller to:

- a. Increase the appropriation by \$310,883 for Fund No. 339, Department No. 70, Account No. 70Y527, for the disbursement of the FY 2023-24 STEP grant funds;
- b. Transfer appropriations on an as-needed basis for the FY 2023-24 STEP Grant, as follows:

TRANSFER FROM:

<u>Fund/Dept. No.</u>	<u>Account No.</u>	<u>Account Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
339/70	70Y527	2023-24 STEP	\$ 189,562.80

TRANSFER TO:

<u>Fund/Dept. No.</u>	<u>Account No.</u>	<u>Account Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
339/70	70XXXX	Related Costs	\$ 19,562.80
100/70	001092	Overtime Sworn	\$170,000.00

- 4. Authorize the City Clerk to place the following actions relative to the FY 2023-24 STEP Grant on the City Council Agenda on July 1, 2024, or on the first meeting day thereafter:

Authorize the Controller to transfer appropriations within Fund No. 339, Department No. 70, as follows:

TRANSFER FROM:

<u>Fund/Dept. No.</u>	<u>Account No.</u>	<u>Account Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
339/70	70Y527	2023-24 STEP	\$ 121,320.20

TRANSFER TO:

<u>Fund/Dept. No.</u>	<u>Account No.</u>	<u>Account Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
339/70	70XXXX	Related Costs	\$ 12,520.20
100/70	001092	Overtime Sworn	\$108,800.00

SUMMARY

In 2023, the Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) received a grant award in the amount \$5,658,000 from the State of California, Office of Traffic Safety under the 2023-24 Selective Traffic Enforcement Program (STEP). Supplemental funding in the amount of \$310,883 was received in 2024, for a total grant award of \$5,968,883.

The LAPD is seeking retroactive approval to apply for and accept \$310,883 in supplemental funding under its current agreement with the State of California, Office of Traffic Safety's 2023-24 Selective Traffic Enforcement Program (STEP), for the period from October 1, 2023, through September 30, 2024, which was awarded after Council and Mayor approval on December 18, 2023. The supplemental funding will continue to support STEP implementation in addressing traffic safety issues. There are no matching funds required.

Following the fatal traffic crash involving four Pepperdine University students on October 17, 2023, the Office of Traffic Safety (OTS) requested the Department to provide increased traffic enforcement along the Pacific Coast Highway (PCH). Of the 28 miles of the PCH between the City of Santa Monica and the Los Angeles/Ventura County line, approximately three miles are within the jurisdiction of the City of Los Angeles.

The State has revised the original grant agreement from \$5,658,000 to \$5,968,883 by adding \$310,883 in supplemental funding for sworn and civilian overtime and fringe benefits. Of this amount, \$280,383 will be allocated to support traffic enforcement operations exclusively on the three-mile span of the PCH, and \$30,500 will be allocated to conduct collaborative Driving Under the Influence (DUI) enforcement operations with other law enforcement agencies within Los Angeles County.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

Approval of the recommendations within this report will allow for the expenditure of the FY 2023-24 STEP supplemental funding award totaling \$310,883 from the State of California, Office of Traffic Safety. There is no impact to the General Fund as a result of these recommendations. No matching funds are required for this grant.

FINANCIAL POLICIES STATEMENT

The recommendations provided in this report are in compliance with the City's Financial Policies in that one-time grant funding will be utilized for one-time program expenditures.

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