

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT relative to acceptance of the 2023 Bulletproof Vest Partnership (BVP) Program grant.

Recommendations for Council action, SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR:

1. AUTHORIZE the Chief, Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD), or his designee to:
 - a. Retroactively apply for and accept the grant award of \$32,271.05 for the 2023 BVP Program grant from the United States Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance, for the period of April 1, 2023 to August 31, 2025.
 - b. Negotiate and execute the grant award agreement, subject to City Attorney approval as to form.
2. AUTHORIZE the LAPD to:
 - a. Spend up to the total grant amount of \$32,271.05 in accordance with the grant award agreement.
 - b. Submit grant reimbursement requests to the grantor and deposit grant receipts in the LAPD Grant Fund No. 339/70.
 - 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 (CAO); and, authorize the Controller to implement the instructions.
3. AUTHORIZE the Controller to establish a grant receivable and appropriate \$32,271.05 to an appropriation account, account number to be determined, within Fund No. 339/70, for the receipt and disbursement of BVP grant funds.
4. NOTE and FILE the October 25, 2023 Board of Police Commissioners report.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The CAO reports that approval of the recommendations contained in the November 30, 2023 CAO report, attached to the Council File, will have no additional impact to the General Fund and will allow for the expenditure of the 2023 BVP Program grant award of \$32,271.05 from the United States Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance. This grant has a 50 percent match requirement, which will be fulfilled through the LAPD's Uniforms Account. Funding is already provided in the LAPD's 2023-24 Budget.

Financial Policies Statement: The CAO reports that approval of the recommendations stated in the November 30, 2023 CAO report, attached to the Council File, comply with

the City's Financial Policies in that, to the extent possible, current operations will be funded by current revenues.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

Summary:

On January 23, 2024, your Committee considered November 30, 2023 CAO and October 25, 2023 Board of Police Commissioners (Board) reports relative to acceptance of the 2023 BVP Program grant. According to the CAO, the LAPD is seeking retroactive approval to apply for and accept a \$32,271.05 grant award for the 2023 BVP from the United States Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance. The grant award has a performance period of April 1, 2023 through August 31, 2025.

This grant has a 50-percent match requirement, which will be fulfilled through the Department's Uniforms Account. The BVP Program was created by the Bulletproof Partnership Grant Act of 1998 to provide funding for body armor to state and local law enforcement. Requirements for the BVP grant include providing matching funds of at least 50-percent; having a written mandatory wear policy for uniformed patrol officers; and, ensuring that bulletproof vests purchased with BVP grant funds comply with the National Institute of Justice Body Armor Standards. Acceptance of the 2023 BVP grant will provide funding for approximately 82 new or replacement bulletproof vests. The LAPD reports that the 50-percent match requirement will be met through funding that is budgeted in its Uniforms Account. This is the 18th year that the LAPD has been a recipient of the BVP grant and has received a total of approximately \$3.5 million in grant funding from the program. After consideration and having provided an opportunity for public comment, the Committee moved to recommend approval of the recommendations contained in the CAO report and note and file the Board of Police Commissioners report. This matter is now submitted to Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

Public Safety Committee

COUNCILMEMBER	VOTE
RODRIGUEZ:	YES
LEE:	YES
McOSKER:	YES
PARK:	YES
SOTO-MARTINEZ:	YES

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