

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT relative to acceptance of grant award in the amount of \$1 million from the US Department of Health and Human Services, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), for the Resiliency in Communities After Stress and Trauma (ReCAST) Program, for the performance period from September 30, 2022 through September 29, 2027.

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

1. AUTHORIZE the City Attorney, or designee, to:
  - a. Approve the accompanying grant award between the City and the US Department of Health and Human Services, SAMHSA and execute the grant award on behalf of the City, subject to the approval of the City Attorney as to form.
  - b. Accept the grant award in the amount of \$1,000,000 to fund the ReCAST Program for the period of September 30, 2023 through September 29, 2024.
2. RESOLVE that that the position of Administrative Coordinator I (Class Code 0567) to be utilized by the City Attorney to support the ReCAST Program is APPROVED and CONFIRMED for the period of September 30, 2023 through June 30, 2024, subject to allocation by the Civil Service Commission and pay grade determination by the City Administrative Officer's (CAO) Employee Relations Division.
3. AUTHORIZE the Controller to:
  - a. Establish a receivable within the City Attorney Grants Fund No. 368/12 in the amount of \$1,000,000 from SAMHSA.
  - b. Establish a new appropriation account within the City Attorney Grants Fund No. 368/12, Account No.12Y351 ReCAST Program Year 2, in the amount of \$1,000,000.
  - c. Transfer up to \$166,520 from the City Attorney Grants Fund No. 368/12, Account No. 12Y351, ReCAST Year 2, to the General Fund No. 100/12, Account No. 001010 Salaries General.
  - d. Upon approval of expenses and receipt of grant funds, transfer up to \$134,371 from the City Attorney Grants Fund No. 368, City Attorney Department No. 12, Account No. 12Y351, ReCAST Year 2, to the General Fund No. 100/12, Revenue Source 5346, Related Costs Reimbursement from Grants as reimbursement for related costs associated with the ReCAST Program, for the performance period from September 30, 2023 through September 29, 2024.

- e. Transfer up to \$82,992 from the City Attorney Grants Fund No. 368/12, Account No. 12Y351, ReCAST Year 2, to the General Fund No. 100/70, Account No. 1092, Sworn Overtime.
4. INSTRUCT the City Clerk to place on the Council Agenda for the first regular Council meeting on **July 1, 2024**, or shortly thereafter, the following actions relative to the ReCAST Program Year 2:

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

- a. Authorize the Controller to:
    - a. Transfer \$55,506 from the City Attorney Grants Fund No. 368/12, Account No. 12Y351, ReCAST Year 2, to the General Fund No. 100/12, Account No. 1010, Salaries General.
    - b. Transfer \$27,664 from the City Attorney Grants Fund No. 368/12, Account No. 12Y351, ReCAST Year 2, to the General Fund No. 100/700, Account No. 1092, Sworn Overtime.
5. AUTHORIZE the City Attorney or designee, to prepare Controller instructions for any necessary technical adjustments, subject to the approval of the CAO and authorize the Controller to implement the instructions.
6. NOTE and FILE the August 3, 2023 City Attorney report relative to acceptance of grant award in the amount of \$1 million from SAMHSA, for the ReCAST Program, for the performance period from September 30, 2022 through September 29, 2027.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The CAO reports The CAO reports that the total program cost of the ReCAST Program is \$1,012,0660, and consists of \$1,000,000 in grant funds and \$12,660 in related costs not covered by the grant. The Department will absorb \$12,660 through salary savings. There is no additional impact to the General Fund.

Financial Policies Statement: The CAO reports the recommendations contained in the September 21, 2023 CAO report, attached to the Council File, are in compliance with the City's Financial Policies in that total program costs are funded through grant funds to the extent possible and budgeted appropriations will be balanced against grant receipts expected from this grant. The City's Financial Polices require that the City pursue federal and state grants, but strictly limit financial support of these programs to avoid commitments that continue beyond available funding. The recommendations in this report comply with City Financial Policies in that the proposed funding is balanced against established revenue approved by Council actions and from Federal and State grant receipts. All funding is subject to the availability of grant funds and determinations by Mayor and Council.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

Summary:

On October 10, 2023, your Committee considered September 21, 2023 CAO and August 3, 2023 City Attorney reports relative to acceptance of grant award in the amount of \$1 million from SAMHSA, for the ReCAST Program for the performance period from September 30, 2022 through September 29, 2027. According to the CAO, the City Attorney is requesting approval to accept the SAMHSA grant award of \$1,000,000 for the City's ReCAST Program to expand key evidence-based violence prevention strategies, community youth engagement programs, and behavioral health services in South Los Angeles for a grant performance period of September 30, 2023 through September 29, 2024.

This represents the second Year of a five-year funding cycle from September 30, 2022 through September 29, 2027, in which \$1,000,000 will be provided annually up through Year Five to sustain the program. The ReCAST Initiative will enable the City's "REACH Team" to provide a multitude of enhanced and expanded program services throughout South LA. Working in conjunction with Children's Institute, Inc. and Los Angeles Police Department, the REACH Team will focus on community-based participatory approaches, equitable access to trauma-informed community behavioral health resources, and strengthened behavioral health services through culturally responsive approaches. It is anticipated that 500 individuals will be served in the second year, and every year thereafter.

The total program cost for the second year (FY23-24) is \$1,012,660, of which the grant award of \$1,000,000 will provide \$222,027 for partial funding for regular position authority of one Deputy City Attorney IV (program director) and full funding for a new resolution position authority for one Administrative Coordinator I (program manager). Although the Administrative Coordinator position was initially requested at a II level, it should be noted that all new positions are authorized at the entry level and subject to allocation by the Civil Service Commission and pay grade determination by the CAO Employee Relations Division. After consideration and having provided an opportunity for public comment, the Committee moved to recommend approval of the recommendations contained in the September 21, 2023 CAO report, as amended. This matter is now submitted to Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

Public Safety Committee

**COUNCILMEMBER**  
RODRIGUEZ:

**VOTE**  
YES

<b>COUNCILMEMBER</b>	<b>VOTE</b>
LEE:	YES
McOSKER:	YES
PARK:	YES
SOTO-MARTINEZ:	YES

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10/10/23

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