

REPORT FROM

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Council District: --

To: The Mayor and Council

From: Matthew W. Szabo, City Administrative Officer



Reference: Transmittal from the Board of Police Commissioners dated June 23, 2024

Subject: **FISCAL YEAR 2024-25 CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL CANNABIS TAX FUND GRANT PROGRAM – LAW ENFORCEMENT**

RECOMMENDATIONS

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

1. Authorize the Chief of Police, or designee, to:

- a. Retroactively apply for, negotiate and accept the grant award of \$998,099.00 relative to the Fiscal Year (FY) 2024-25 Cannabis Tax Fund Grant Program (CTFGP) – Law Enforcement from the State of California, California Highway Patrol (CHP), for the period of July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025 and execute any documents or agreements necessary to accept the grant funds, subject to the approval by the City Attorney as to form;
- b. Negotiate and execute a Professional Services Agreement with one selected vendor for a term of one year within the applicable grant performance period, for a sum not to exceed \$30,000, for the provision of phlebotomist services as it relates to the grant program, subject to the approval of the City Attorney as to form;

2. Authorize the Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) to:

- a. Spend up to \$998,099.00 in funding in accordance with the grant award agreement;
- b. Submit grant reimbursement requests to the grantor and deposit the FY 2024-25 CTFGP – Law Enforcement grant receipts into the Police Department Grant Fund No. 339, Department No. 70, account number to be determined; and,

- c. Prepare Controller’s 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;

3. Authorize the Controller to:

- a. Establish a grant receivable and appropriate up to \$998,099.00 within the Police Department Grant Fund No. 339, Department No. 70, account number to be determined, for disbursement of the FY2024-25 CTFGP – Law Enforcement grant funds;
- b. Increase appropriations on an as-needed basis from the Police Department Grant Fund No. 339, Department No. 70, account number to be determined, to Fund No. 100, Department No. 70, account numbers and amounts, as follows:

<u>Account Name</u>	<u>Account No.</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Overtime General	001090	\$ 27,000.01
Overtime Sworn	001092	\$839,294.22

- c. Transfer appropriations of \$80,584.77 within the Police Department Grant Fund No. 339, Department No. 70, from FY2024-25 CTFGP – Law Enforcement account, account number to be determined, to Related Costs account, account number to be determined, for related costs, upon submission of proper documentation by the LAPD, subject to the approval of the City Administrative Officer, of the costs incurred during the grant performance period.

SUMMARY

The Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) is seeking retroactive approval to apply for and accept a \$998,099.00 grant award for the Fiscal Year (FY) 2024-25 Cannabis Tax Fund Grant Program (CTFGP) – Law Enforcement, from the California Highway Patrol (CHP) for the period of July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025.

The CHP’s CTFGP – Law Enforcement provides education, prevention, and enforcement of impaired driving laws related to driving under the influence of alcohol and other drugs, including cannabis. For FY 2024-25, the CHP has extended the funding opportunity to law enforcement agencies to educate the public regarding the dangers of impaired driving, enforce impaired driving laws on the roadway, improve agency’s effectiveness through training, and develop new strategies. The grant opportunity focuses on providing public education and outreach, Driving Under the Influence (DUI) / Driving Under the Influence of Drugs (DUID) enforcement efforts, and Officer Training dedicated to detecting and removing impaired drivers from the roadway.

The LAPD Traffic Group was awarded \$998,099.00 to implement the DUI Apprehension Program. The proposed program will provide training to personnel to improve the quality of DUI and DUID

investigations and enforcement efforts. The grant program objectives will be met by increasing officer training, modernizing equipment, increasing enforcement operations on dates and at locations where driving under the influence of drugs will be prevalent, and conducting business community outreach.

The grant funds will be used to provide officer training and certifications in various courses centered on detection, deterrence and the arrest of DUI and DIUD violators. Courses will focus on preventative and preemptive measures such as routine patrols, sobriety checkpoints, increased public awareness and active support of DUI & DIUD laws. The grant will also be used to provide enforcement efforts on specific dates (e.g., April 20th or 420) and events which are prone to DUI & DIUD violations. In addition, the grant award will facilitate community and business outreach, with particular emphasis on educating the owners of marijuana dispensaries. Under the grant agreement, the State will reimburse the City for expenses as follows:

Expense Category	Amount
Sworn Overtime	\$ 839,294.22
Civilian Overtime	27,000.01
Related Costs	80,584.77
Travel	8,250.00
Consultants/Contracts	30,000.00
Other Direct Costs (Conference registration, educational material, etc.)	12,970.00
Total	\$ 998,099.00

A Professional Services Agreement will be executed with a phlebotomy service provider to draw and collect blood samples from individuals arrested during Drug Recognition Expert Certification Task Force actions throughout the grant performance period for an amount not to exceed \$30,000. The Department will select the vendor through a competitive bid process.

Related costs under Cost Allocation Plan 41 rates for grant-eligible sworn and civilian overtime in support of this program will also be reimbursed with grant funds for FY 2024-25.

In accordance with Los Angeles Administrative Code Section 14.6 - Approval of Grant Applications, Mayor and Council approval is required before accepting and receiving the grant award.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

Approval of the recommendations stated in this report will authorize the Los Angeles Police Department to retroactively accept the Fiscal Year (FY) 2024-25 Cannabis Tax Fund Grant

Program – Law Enforcement grant award of \$998,099.00 from the State of California, California Highway Patrol, for a one-year term beginning July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025. No matching funds are required for this grant. Cost Allocation Plan 41 indirect cost rates for grant-eligible overtime and related costs (\$80,584.77) in support of this program will also be reimbursed with the grant funds for FY 2024-25.

FINANCIAL POLICIES STATEMENT

The recommendations provided in this report are in compliance with the City’s Financial Policies in that all grant-eligible costs are fully funded by the grant program award.

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