



Agenda Report

Fullerton City Council

MEETING DATE: JULY 16, 2024

TO: CITY COUNCIL / SUCCESSOR AGENCY

SUBMITTED BY: JON RADUS, CHIEF OF POLICE

PREPARED BY: LAUREN PARKHOUSE, SENIOR ADMINISTRATIVE ANALYST

SUBJECT: FISCAL YEAR 2024-25 CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL CANNABIS TAX FUND GRANT

SUMMARY

Staff requests City Council authorize the Chief of Police to accept \$499,998 Fiscal Year (FY) 2024-25 grant funding from the California Highway Patrol (CHP) to reduce and mitigate impaired driving impacts in the community.

PROPOSED MOTION

1. Adopt Resolution No. 2024-XXX.
RESOLUTION NO. 2024-XXX - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FULLERTON, CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING CHIEF OF POLICE TO ACCEPT CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL GRANT FUNDS
2. Appropriate receipt and use of \$499,998 CHP Cannabis Tax Fund Grant to Police Department budget within Grant Fund (Fund 32).

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

- Approve the Proposed Motion
- Reject the agreement and grant funding which would prevent DUI-D impaired driving operations
- Other options brought by City Council.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the Proposed Motion.

CITY MANAGER REMARKS

The City Manager recommends acceptance of the \$499,998.

PRIORITY POLICY STATEMENT

This item matches the following Priority Policy Statements:

- Fiscal and Organizational Stability
- Public Safety.

FISCAL IMPACT

No net fiscal impact associated with the California Highway Patrol Grant. The City would use revenues to reimburse eligible officer salaries, overtime and operational supplies. Staff would appropriate grant revenues and expenditures in the Grants Fund (Fund 32).

BACKGROUND DISCUSSION

The California Highway Patrol approved the Fullerton Police Department grant application in response to the CHP Request for Applications for Law Enforcement Opportunity Driving Under the Influence (DUI) / Driving Under the Influence of Drugs (DUI-D), funded under the Cannabis Tax Fund Grant Program and approved by voters as Proposition 64 (Prop 64). The \$499,998 award becomes effective upon executing the agreement and expires June 30, 2025.

The Prop 64 Cannabis Tax Fund provides funding for this CHP grant but this grant does not have the same requirements as other Prop 64 grants requiring a city ordinance approving the regulation and sales of cannabis. The California Office of Traffic Safety Selective Traffic Enforcement Program Grant previously funded the Fullerton Police Department Drug Recognition Expert (DRE), Advanced Roadside Impaired Driving Enforcement (ARIDE) and Standardized Field Sobriety Testing (SFST) trainings. Grants for these types of DUI / DUI-D trainings transitioned to the CHP as of FY 2021-22 with the Proposition 64 passage and subsequent funding.

Police officer DUI and DUI-D-related education and training provides an integral part of the department plan to combat traffic-related injuries and deaths both in Fullerton and throughout the County of Orange with DRE, ARIDE and SFST training comprising crucial elements of the plan. This grant funding helps educate police officers and other criminal justice system members, such as prosecutors and forensic scientists, in recognizing the signs and symptoms of both alcohol and drug impairment and providing them with the necessary tools for a successful prosecution, Fullerton police officers, and those from other law enforcement agencies, can better serve their communities and keep them safe through proactive measures.

Attachments

- Attachment 1 – Draft Resolution No. 2024-XXX
- Attachment 2 – CHP Grant Agreement

cc: City Manager Eric J. Levitt