

**STAFF REPORT**

REPORT to the MAYOR and MEMBERS of the CITY COUNCIL  
From the CITY MANAGER

**DATE:** September 15, 2020

**SUBJECT:** Acceptance and appropriation of the Department of Alcohol Beverage Control Grant for the 2020-2021 Alcohol Policing Partnership (APP) Program

**ISSUING DEPARTMENT:** Police Department

**SUMMARY:****Issue:**

Should the City Council accept and appropriate funds from the 2020-2021 Department of Alcohol Beverage Control Grant to pay for overtime, equipment, and training expenses incurred during the twelve (12) month Alcohol Policing Partnership (APP) Program?

**Recommendation:**

Staff recommends that the City Council:

Accepts and appropriates funds from the 2020-2021 Department of Alcohol Beverage Control Grant for the Alcohol Policing Partnership (APP) Program in the amount of \$52,349.00 for overtime, equipment, and training expenses incurred during the twelve (12) month program as outlined in the staff report. The funds will be appropriated in fund 213, Public Safety Grants.

**Fiscal Impact:**

Participation by the La Mesa Police Department will be limited to paid overtime for Police Sergeant(s), Detective(s), Police Officer(s), Communication Supervisor(s), and Police Dispatcher(s) for selected Alcohol Beverage Control operations during the twelve (12) month period of July, 1 2020 thru June 30, 2021. Monies will also be used for specified equipment purchases and training in the enforcement of alcohol related crimes.

Total costs are not to exceed the final grant award of \$52,349.00 and will be reimbursed by billing the Department of Alcohol Beverage Control. With the City Council approval, the maximum amount that the Department of Alcohol Beverage Control would reimburse

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the City of La Mesa would be \$52,349.00. The funds will be appropriated and expended from the Public Safety Grant (213) Fund.

**City's Strategic Goals:**

Safe community.

**BACKGROUND:**

In March 2020, the La Mesa Police Department applied for this grant through the Department of Alcohol Beverage Control. This is a competitive grant that many cities apply for and it was awarded to the City of La Mesa to work in partnership with the Department of Alcohol Beverage Control to develop an effective, comprehensive and strategic approach to eliminate the crime and public nuisance problems associated with problem alcoholic beverage outlets.

This grant is designed to use local police resources within their primary jurisdictions on an overtime basis to implement ABC's Minor Decoy, Shoulder Tap Programs and conduct Informed Merchants Preventing Alcohol-Related Crime Tendencies (IMPACT) Inspections. These Programs target both ABC licensed premises and individuals who furnish alcoholic beverages to the underage operators. The project is targeted to reduce underage drinking and the resultant DUI driving injuries and fatalities, and/or property damages, reduce youth access to alcoholic beverages through the education of licensee, enforcement intervention and the impressions of omnipresence of law enforcement.

During the grant's twelve (12) month operation period, the La Mesa Police Department will be scheduling at least four (4) IMPACT operations, four (4) Retail Operating Standards Task Force (ROSTF) operations, two (2) Minor Decoy operations, two (2) Shoulder Tap operations, and five (5) Line-up Trainings for all sworn officers on ABC enforcement, laws and regulations. The La Mesa Police Department will also send out notification at least once (1) throughout the grant cycle of the Online LEAD program and issue at least six (6) press releases regarding special enforcement operations and other activities under this grant.

All of these operations will be conducted on an overtime basis where the officers will be working above and beyond normal patrol staffing levels. These operations will take place at various times during a twelve month period from July 1, 2020 thru June 30, 2021.

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**CONCLUSION:**

Staff recommends that the City Council approve the acceptance of this grant and appropriation of the related funds.

**Staff Reference:** Lieutenant Greg Runge

**Reviewed by:**



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Greg Humora  
City Manager

**Respectfully submitted by:**



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Ray Sweeney  
Acting Chief of Police

**Attachments:** A. Resolution

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-\_\_\_

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA MESA  
AUTHORIZING THE CHIEF OF POLICE TO ENTER INTO A MEMORANDUM  
OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE POLICE DEPARTMENT AND THE  
DEPARTMENT OF ALCOHOL BEVERAGE CONTROL FOR THE ALCOHOL  
POLICING PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$52,349

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of La Mesa, that the City Council authorizes the Chief of Police to sign and enter into a Memorandum of Agreement with the Department of Alcohol Beverage Control and the La Mesa Police Department for the reimbursement of overtime and equipment expenditures incurred while working in partnership with the Department of Alcohol Beverage Control to develop an effective, comprehensive and strategic approach to eliminate the crime and public nuisance problems associated with problem alcoholic beverage outlets.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City, if awarded the grant, appropriates the funds in the amount of \$52,349.00 for THE Alcohol Policing Partnership Program; provided however, that if the actual revenue received from the source specified should be more or less than the amount set forth herein, that the appropriations shall be adjusted to equal the amount actually received.

PASSED AND ADOPTED at a Special meeting of the City Council of the City of La Mesa, California, held the 15<sup>th</sup> day of September 2020, by the following vote, to wit:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

CERTIFICATE OF CITY CLERK

I, MEGAN WIEGELMAN, City Clerk of the City of La Mesa, California, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and exact copy of Resolution No. 2020-\_\_\_, duly passed and adopted by the City Council of said City on the date and by the vote therein recited.

MEGAN WIEGELMAN, CMC, City Clerk

(SEAL OF CITY)