



CITY OF SANTA BARBARA

COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

AGENDA DATE: April 8, 2014

TO: Mayor and Councilmembers

FROM: Administrative Services, Police Department

SUBJECT: Bulletproof Vest Partnership Award

RECOMMENDATION: That Council:

- A. Accept \$17,731 from the U.S. Department of Justice's 2013 Bulletproof Vest Partnership grant; and
- B. Increase appropriations and estimated revenues by \$17,731 in the Police Miscellaneous Grants Fund for the purchase of forty-six (46) bulletproof vests.

DISCUSSION:

In May 2013, the Santa Barbara Police Department submitted an application to the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance, for their Bulletproof Vest Partnership grant. This partnership grant provides 50% of the funding for the purchase of bulletproof vests for sworn officers responding to calls for service.

On October 3, 2013, the Police Department was informed that they were approved to receive funding from the Bulletproof Vest Partnership grant through 2015, which will help to fund the purchase of approximately 46 bulletproof vests. In order to receive the grant award, the Police Department is required to match fifty percent (50%) of the funds given by the Department of Justice. These matching funds were included in the Department's Fiscal Year 2014 budget and will be included in the Fiscal Year 2015 recommended budget.

The Police Department requires all officers to wear a vest while on duty and issues all of its officers and reserve officers bulletproof vests as part of their standard safety equipment. During Fiscal Year 2014, approximately 30 vests will be purchased with the remaining 16 vests to be purchased in Fiscal Year 2015.

BUDGET/FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

The grant will reimburse the Police Department \$17,731, and the Police Department will provide the 50% match as part of the Fiscal Year 2014 and 2015 budgets.

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