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Agenda Item No. I-4

Reviewed By: City Manager *[Signature]*

Kimrell
City Attorney

Finance *[Signature]*

Other (Specify)

DATE: May 8, 2006

TO: City Council

FROM: John Crombach, Chief of Police *[Signature]*

SUBJECT: Application for Gang Violence Suppression Grant Funding

RECOMMENDATION

That City Council adopt a resolution authorizing the City Manager to submit an application for \$392,500 in California Office of Emergency Services (OES) grant funds, to be used for continued funding of the City's Gang Violence Suppression (GVS) Project.

DISCUSSION

The City of Oxnard is one of four cities in California that receives State funding under a GVS Project grant. This came as a result of a competitive application process in 2005. The purpose of the GVS Project is to reduce gang violence in communities and to divert potentially dangerous gang activity into more positive and constructive behavior. The Oxnard Police Department is the lead agency for the City's GVS Project, which also includes the Ventura County District Attorney's Office, the Ventura County Probation Agency, the Oxnard Elementary School District, the Oxnard Union High School District, and City Impact. The Oxnard GVS Project has developed a comprehensive model and the multi-component approach addresses the gang problem through prevention, intervention, and suppression efforts.

The current grant funding ends June 30, 2006. A Request for Application (RFA) has been issued by OES for another application process. Only the four cities currently receiving funding under the GVS Project grant are eligible to apply for continuation funding. The grant award for the second year of the funding will begin on July 1, 2006 and end June 30, 2007. This funding is contingent on the availability of State General Funds. Funding for the GVS Project is funded with Fiscal Year 2006/07 State General Funds. A total of \$392,500 in State funds is available for the Oxnard GVS Project. This is the same amount as Fiscal Year 2005/06. The grant also has a ten percent local matching funds requirement of \$39,250 on the State General Fund allocation.

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FINANCIAL IMPACT

Approval of this recommendation will not impact the General Fund Operating Reserve. Approval of this grant would ensure additional funding for the City's current GVS Project. The proposed agency distribution of the grant funds is depicted in Chart One.

Chart One
Agency Distribution of GVS grant funds

| Agency – Personnel/Program | Funding |
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| City of Oxnard- Partial salary for one police officer, salary for one administrative secretary, audit costs, and presentation expenses | \$92,500 |
| Ventura County District Attorney's Office- Partial salary for one senior deputy district attorney | \$86,000 |
| Ventura County Probation Agency- Salary for one deputy probation officer | \$88,000 |
| Oxnard Elementary School District- After school program at eleven elementary schools | \$63,000 |
| City Impact- Partial salary for project director, partial salary for mentoring coordinator, partial salary for counselor, youth activities | \$63,000 |
| Total | \$392,500 |

The grant requires a match of \$39,250. This match requirement is unchanged from Fiscal Year 2005/06. The match is currently being met by a percentage of the salary and benefits for a police officer assigned to the GVS Project. If the grant application is successful, the required match will continue to come from the Police Department's operating budget. Staff will return to Council for acceptance of the grant award and appropriation of the revenues.

- Attachment #1 - Council Resolution
- Attachment #2 - Gang Violence Suppression Project Application
- Attachment #3 - Operational Agreement

CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OXNARD

RESOLUTION NO.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OXNARD APPROVING
SUBMITTAL OF GRANT APPLICATION.

WHEREAS, City Council Resolution No. 12,053 sets out the procedure by which City staff may submit grant applications, following approval by resolution of the City Council; and

WHEREAS, the Police Department is the lead agency for a three-year Gang Violence Suppression Project grant; and

WHEREAS, the first year of funding ends on June 30, 2006, and the Police Department has the opportunity to apply for the second year of funding; and

WHEREAS, additional grant funding to be shared among the five agencies participating in the Gang Violence Suppression Project will assist in the City's gang prevention, intervention, and enforcement efforts.

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Oxnard resolves to approve the submittal of an application by the City Manager for a \$392,500 Gang Violence Suppression Multi-Component Project grant. The City Council further resolves that the City Manager or designee is authorized to execute grant agreement; the Finance Director or designee is authorized to submit financial reports and grant claims and approve special budget appropriations for the use of grant funds; and the Chief of Police or designee is authorized to submit non-financial reports.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS _____ day of _____, 2006, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

Dr. Thomas E. Holden, Mayor

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Daniel Martinez, City Clerk

James S. Ruffolo, Jr. for

Gary L. Gillig, City Attorney