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Prepared By: Keith Brooks _____ Agenda Item No. I-7

Reviewed By: City Manager _____ City Attorney _____ Finance _____ Other *(Specify)* _____

DATE: June 5, 2008

TO: City Council

FROM: John Crombach, Chief of Police

SUBJECT: **Application for COPS Technology Program Grant**

RECOMMENDATION

That City Council adopt a resolution authorizing the City Manager to submit an application for $467,650 in U.S. Department of Justice Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) grant funds to be used for acquisition of Police and Fire public safety computer mapping systems.

DISCUSSION

The Police and Fire Departments use public safety mapping systems that are out of date, have transmission problems and lack ease of use. The mapping system is crucial for coordinating the movement and communication of public safety personnel in the field. Increasing the accuracy of information regarding the current location of people and equipment will allow public safety personnel to better respond to the citizens of Oxnard.

The purpose of the COPS Technology Program Grant is to provide funding for the continued development of automated systems to assist law enforcement agencies in investigating, responding to and preventing crime. The Police Department would be able to provide significant enhancement to public safety mapping systems with funds from the COPS grant.

This grant opportunity will provide the funds needed to improve public safety mapping systems with an up-to-date and easily updateable system to support the Police and Fire Departments. Sharing common hardware and software platforms will provide for more effective and efficient emergency response handling by better coordinating, communicating, and sharing of vital information among multiple partners.

Mapping data that is updated at frequent and regular intervals will provide the Police and Fire Departments with information that is customizable, detailed and current at a lower cost than would be required from specialized, third-party vendors.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

Approval of this recommendation has no financial impact. The grant requires no local match. If the application is successful, staff will return to Council for acceptance of the grant award and appropriation of grant funds.

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Attachment #1 Resolution of City Council approving submittal of grant application for enhancing public safety mapping systems.

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 has requested that City Council approve the submittal of an application to the U.S. Department of Justice for $467,650 in COPS Technology Program grant funds, to be used for acquisition of new public safety mapping systems.

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Oxnard resolves to approve the submittal of a grant application by the City Manager for acquisition of police and fire Mobile Data Computer mapping systems. The City Council further resolves that the City Manager or designee is authorized to execute grant agreements; the Chief Financial Officer 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 _____, 2008, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

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Dr. Thomas E. Holden, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Daniel Martinez, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Gary Gilling 06-10-08
Gary L. Gilling, City Attorney

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