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Prepared By: Randy Latimer, Traffic Sergeant *RL* Agenda Item No. I-8

Reviewed By: City Manager *JLB* City Attorney *MA* Finance *JFC* Other (Specify) \_\_\_\_\_

**DATE:** August 30, 2012

**TO:** City Council

**FROM:** Jeri Williams, Chief of Police *JW*  
Police Department

**SUBJECT:** State of California Grant for Selective Traffic Enforcement

## RECOMMENDATION

That City Council adopt a resolution:

1. Authorizing the City Manager to execute and submit an application for \$150,000 in grant funds to the State of California Office of Traffic Safety (OTS), to be used for the FY-2012/13 Selective Traffic Enforcement Program.
2. Authorizing the City Manager or designee to execute grant agreements and appropriate funds upon notification of grant award.
3. Authorizing the Chief Financial Officer or designee to submit financial reports and grant claims and approve special budget appropriations for the use of OTS funds.
4. Authorizing the Chief of Police or designee to submit all program related progress or status reports.

## DISCUSSION

The State of California, OTS has offered grant funding to assist the City in reducing the number of injury and fatal traffic collisions that occur on our city's roadways. The Police Department wishes to apply for the grant titled "Selective Traffic Enforcement Program" in the amount of \$150,000.

Over the past 17 years, OTS has provided funding for programs that help reduce the amount of fatal and injury-related traffic collisions within the City. A major emphasis has been related to keeping Driving Under the Influence (DUI) drivers off our roadways and to educating City residents about the dangers of drinking and driving. While working in conjunction with OTS, the number of fatal and injury-related traffic collisions in the City has decreased. In addition, alcohol related incidents have also decreased.

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This funding will allow continued enforcement and education in order to keep the residents of Oxnard safe from DUI drivers. The City can accomplish this goal by reducing the amount of alcohol-related traffic collisions. Taking different proactive approaches to DUI enforcement, continued public education aimed at the youth in our community, and maximum enforcement on all DUI related crimes are strategies employed in this grant. This grant will also provide funding to address the issue of collisions related to other unsafe driving habits such as speeding, following too close and distracted driving.

This grant looks at continuing with proactive and innovative approaches to combating DUI collisions and will allow the Police Department to continue conducting warrant operations that target multiple DUI offenders who have violated their probation terms and have failed to appear in court.

This grant also looks at targeting the “worst of the worst” and repeat DUI offenders. These offenders are drivers who are already on probation and have suspended or revoked driver licenses; however, these offenders continue to drive motor vehicles and more importantly, drive while intoxicated. Officers will continue to conduct surveillance operations that will result in the arrest of these offenders.

### **FINANCIAL IMPACT**

The Selective Traffic Enforcement Program Grant will not require a local match contribution. If approved, grant funds will be recognized and appropriated upon award.

Attachment #1 - City Council Resolution approving submittal of grant application

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 FOR THE  
SELECTIVE TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM

WHEREAS, City Council Resolution No. 12,053 sets out the procedures 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 State of California, Office of Traffic Safety for \$150,000.00 in Office of Traffic Safety grant funds, to be used for selective traffic enforcement.

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Oxnard resolves to approve the submittal of a grant application by the City Manager for grant funds to be used for selective traffic enforcement and resolves to recognize grant revenue in the amount of \$150,000.00 from the State of California, Office of Traffic Safety. The City Council further resolves that the City Manager or designee is authorized to execute grant agreements; 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 25<sup>th</sup> day of September 2012 by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

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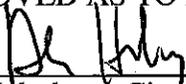
Dr. Thomas E. Holden, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Daniel Martinez, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
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Alan Holmberg, City Attorney

