



# City of Culver City

## Staff Report

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**CC - Approval of an Application for \$11,551.93 in Grant Funds through the Fiscal Year 2017 Department of Justice Bureau of Justice Assistance Bulletproof Vest Partnership.**

**Meeting Date:** June 12, 2017

**Contact Person/Dept:** Jeanine Plute/Police Department

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**Fiscal Impact:** Yes  No

**General Fund:** Yes  No

**Public Hearing:**  **Action Item:**  **Attachments:**

**Commission Action Required:** Yes  No

**Public Notification:** (E-Mail) Meetings and Agendas - City Council (06/07/17);

**Department Approval:** Chief Scott Bixby (05/31/17)

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### **RECOMMENDATION**

Staff recommends the City Council approve an application for grant funds in the amount of \$11,551.93 through the FY 2017 Department of Justice Bureau of Justice Assistance Bulletproof Vest Partnership.

### **BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION**

The Bulletproof Vest Partnership (BVP), created by the Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant Act of 1998 is a unique U.S. Department of Justice initiative designed to provide a critical resource to state and local law enforcement. Since 1999, the BVP program has awarded more than 13,000 jurisdictions a total of \$412 million in federal funds for the purchase of over one million vests. BVP is a critical resource for state and local jurisdictions that saves lives.

The BVP covers one-half the costs of Department purchased bullet-proof vests. Since 2000, the Police Department has been awarded and received reimbursement funds in the amount of \$182,368.05.

Applications are now subject to certain funding limitations, to help account for increasing demands

and unexpended funds from prior BVP applications. The Department's FY 2017 Regular Fund application maximum value is \$23,765.00, for a reimbursement request of \$11,882.60 (50% reimbursement of vest cost).

Due to the funding limitations, the grant application will reflect the maximum number of vests (29) allowed for a reimbursement request based on the cost per vest. The Police Department records show the need to replace 32 issued vests (based on a five-year vest life cycle) and six vests for officers the department anticipates hiring over the next two years based on current and future vacancies due to attrition.

### **FISCAL ANALYSIS**

Grant allocated funds will be used to off-set 50% of the costs for the purchase of ballistic vests. Funds have been allocated in the proposed fiscal-year 2017-2018 Police Department budget to purchase new ballistic vests.

### **MOTION**

That the City Council:

1. Approve an application for grant funds in the amount of \$11,551.93 through the FY 2017 Department of Justice Bureau of Justice Assistance Bulletproof Vest Partnership; and,
2. Authorize the City Attorney to review/prepare the necessary documents; and,
3. Authorize the City Manager to execute such documents on behalf of the City.