



City of Culver City

Staff Report

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CC - Approval of an Application for \$16,058.67 in Grant Funds through the Fiscal Year 2020 Department of Justice Bureau of Justice Assistance Patrick Leahy Bulletproof Vest Partnership.

Meeting Date: May 26, 2020

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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 (05/21/2020);

Department Approval: Scott Bixby, Police Chief (05/13/2020)

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the City Council approve an application for grant funds in the amount of \$16,058.67 through the FY 2020 Department of Justice Bureau of Justice Assistance Patrick Leahy Bulletproof Vest Partnership.

BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION

The Patrick Leahy 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 \$467 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 Police Department purchased bullet-proof vests. Since 2000, the Police Department has been awarded and received reimbursement funds in the amount of \$210,075.66.

The grant application reflects the number of vests the Department needs to replace (based on a five-year vest life cycle) and vests for officers the Department anticipates hiring over the next two years. The Police Department records show the need to replace 32 issued vests and 4 vests for new police officers over the next two years, based on current and future vacancies due to attrition.

FISCAL ANALYSIS

The grant revenue of \$16,058.67 will be received and recorded in Acct# 41440913.341410. The 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 2020/2021 Police Department budget (Acct# 10140200.514600) to purchase new ballistic vests.

MOTION

That the City Council:

1. Approve an application for grant funds in the amount of \$16,058.67 through the FY 2020 Department of Justice Bureau of Justice Assistance Patrick Leahy 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.