



City of Culver City

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Staff Report

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CC - Approval of an Application for \$18,768.42 in Grant Funds through the Fiscal Year 2021 Department of Justice Bureau of Justice Assistance Patrick Leahy Bulletproof Vest Partnership.

Meeting Date: May 24, 2021

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Fiscal Impact: Yes ☒ No ☐

General Fund: Yes ☒ No ☐

Public Hearing: ☐ **Action Item:** ☒ **Attachments:** ☐

Commission Action Required: Yes ☐ No ☒

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Department Approval: Manny Cid, Acting Police Chief (05/12/2021)

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the City Council approve an application for grant funds in the amount of \$18,768.42 through the FY 2021 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 \$522 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 \$227,549.78.

The grant application reflects the number of vests the department needs to replace (based on a five-year vest life cycle). The Police Department records show the need to replace 40 issued vests for police officers over the next two years.

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 FY 2021/2022 Police Department budget to purchase new ballistic vests.

ATTACHMENTS

None

MOTION

That the City Council:

1. Approve an application for grant funds in the amount of \$18,768.42 through the FY 2021 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.