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DATE: August 6, 2019

TO: Board of Supervisors

SUBMITTED BY: Margaret Mims, Sheriff-Coroner-Public Administrator

SUBJECT: Retroactive State of California Alcoholic Beverage Control Grant Award

RECOMMENDED ACTION(S):

- 1. Retroactively authorize the Sheriff's previous submittal of a grant application to the State of California Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) 2020 Grant Assistance Program (\$98,115); and**
- 2. Approve resolution authorizing the Chairman to execute retroactive Agreement 19G-LA15 with ABC for the project period from July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020 (\$98,115) and authorize the Sheriff, or their authorized representative, to sign claims for reimbursement and activity reports for this Agreement.**

There is no increase in Net County Cost associated with the recommended actions. The grant application was submitted to the ABC contingent on your Board's approval. The ABC has awarded the Sheriff's Office a \$98,115 grant effective from July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020. The grant will fund overtime along with operational expenses and equipment to augment the Vice Unit's current activities and enable them to more expansively target alcohol-related issues and crimes in Fresno County. This item is countywide.

ALTERNATIVE ACTION(S):

There is no viable alternative action. The non-approval of this item will result in the loss of the ABC grant funds for FY 2019-20, and will impact the ability of the Sheriff's Office to support a proactive approach to alcohol-related crimes and incidents in the Vice Unit.

RETROACTIVE AGREEMENT:

The ABC request for grant applications was published the last week of January 2019 with a filing deadline of March 31, 2019. In order to meet the filing deadline, the application was previously submitted to the ABC contingent upon your Board's approval. On June 10, 2019, the Sheriff's Office was notified by the ABC of the grant award and the application and agreement are being brought to your Board at the first available Board date.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no increase in Net County Cost associated with the recommended actions. The Sheriff's allocation for FY 2019-20 is in the amount of \$98,115. There is no match requirement for the receipt of the funds. The appropriations and estimated revenue are included in the FY 2019-20 Recommended Budget for Org 3111 that will be presented to your Board in September 2019.

DISCUSSION:

On July 10, 2018, the Board accepted the ABC competitive grant award of \$96,631 for the period from July 1, 2018 thru June 30, 2019.

For FY 2019-20, the competitive application was submitted to ABC before March 31, 2019 to meet the deadline, contingent on your Board's approval. The provision of funding from ABC will allow the Sheriff's Office to focus on and significantly address alcohol-related problems throughout the unincorporated areas of Fresno County. The funding will equip the Sheriff's Office to maintain an aggressive and proactive response toward alcohol related crimes and thus reduce or deter other associated crimes.

The ABC grant will enable the Sheriff's Office Vice/Intelligence Unit to conduct undercover operations at California State University, Fresno football games; assist and educate local allied agencies; perform Minor Decoy and Shoulder Tap operations; conduct Informed Merchants Preventing Alcohol-Related Crime Tendencies inspections and develop Intel related to social media parties.

The grant monies will be used to fund overtime to augment the Vice Unit's current activities; operational expenses for investigations consisting of Minor Decoy, Shoulder Tap and Under Cover Bar inspections/investigations; small equipment; and travel expenses to attend the annual ABC program conference.

The resolution that the Department of ABC requires the County to sign includes a paragraph requiring the County to take responsibility for all liability that arises out of the County's performance of the agreement and that the Department of ABC and the State disclaim all such liability. The Risk Management Division has reviewed the application and agreement and find this requirement acceptable.

REFERENCE MATERIAL:

BAI #35, July 10, 2018

ATTACHMENTS INCLUDED AND/OR ON FILE:

On file with Clerk - Application with Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control
On file with Clerk - Agreement with Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control
On file with Clerk - Resolution

CAO ANALYST:

Jeannie Z. Figueroa