



STAFF REPORT

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE ACCEPTANCE OF THE COPS TECHNOLOGY GRANT 2003 FROM U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE FOR EQUIPMENT AND TECHNOLOGY NEEDS RELATED TO THE NEW POLICE FACILITY.

Honorable Mayor and Council Members

Summary

The City of Belmont submitted a grant proposal to the U.S. Department of Justice for Equipment and Technology Needs in the amount of \$250,000.00 for technology needs in the police department. The U.S. Department of Justice awarded the City of Belmont \$248,375.00, effective August 15, 2003. The money is directed to technology needs in the new police facility. Staff recommends Council accept the grant.

Background and Discussion

In Spring 2002, the City of Belmont contacted Congresswoman Anna Eshoo and our Senators to request financial aid for the construction of the Belmont Police Department facilities. Through the leadership of Congresswoman Eshoo, Congress approved a \$250,000 appropriation.

The federal government channeled that appropriation through the U.S. Department of Justice COPS Technology Grant Program. Belmont was awarded \$248,375 and had to submit all the standard grant application material. The main objective of the grant award is to provide funding to the City of Belmont for the infrastructure for the essential services building. The City has recently been formally notified by the Justice Department that our grant was approved.

The City has requested an additional \$750,000 in federal funding for the Police Facility/City Hall project, but no appropriations have been made at this time.

Fiscal Impact

If approval is received from City Council, the City of Belmont will be receiving supplemental revenue of \$248,375.00 from the U.S. Department of Justice for this grant. Funds will come as reimbursement for specific purchases. This money has already been built into the budget for the Police Facility/City Hall project.

Recommendation

The City Council accept the Grant Award from the U. S. Department of Justice in the amount of \$248,375.00.

Alternatives

1. Deny the acceptance of the award
2. Take no action at this time

Attachments

Grant Application Grant Award

Respectfully submitted,

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Captain

Donald J. Mattei
Acting Chief of Police

Jere A. Kersnar
City Manager

RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BELMONT APPROVING THE ACCEPTANCE OF THE COPS TECHNOLOGY GRANT 2003 FROM U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, OFFICE OF COMMUNITY ORIENTED POLICING SERVICES FOR EQUIPMENT AND TECHNOLOGY NEEDS.

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Justice has approved a grant proposal under the Cops Technology Grant 2003, Office of Community Oriented Policing Services, submitted by the City of Belmont, to purchase equipment and updated technology, and

WHEREAS, the total grant awarded to the Consortium is \$248,375.00, and

WHEREAS, this grant will enable the police department to purchase equipment and technology to assist in the construction of the essential services building, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the City Council of the City of Belmont approves the acceptance of the COPS Technology Grant 2003 Award of \$248,375.00 from U.S. Department of Justice Services, Office of Community Oriented Policing for the purchase of equipment and technology for the essential services building.

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was duly and regularly passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Belmont at a regular meeting thereof held on October 14, 2003 by the following vote:

AYES, COUNCILMEMBERS: _____

NOES, COUNCILMEMBERS: _____

ABSTAIN, COUNCILMEMBERS: _____

ABSENT, COUNCILMEMBERS: _____

CLERK of the City of Belmont

APPROVED:

MAYOR of the City of Belmont