

CITY OF SAN ANTONIO INTERDEPARTMENTAL MEMORANDUM POLICE DEPARTMENT

TO:

Mayor and City Council

FROM:

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SUBJECT:

2002 Local Law Enforcement Block Grant (LLEBG)

DATE:

October 16, 2003

SUMMARY AND RECOMMENDATIONS

This ordinance amends Ordinance No. 96379, passed and approved by City Council on September 19, 2002, to authorize the appropriation and expenditure of all accrued interest in the 2002 Local Law Enforcement Block Grant project in the estimated amount of \$12,000.

Staff recommends approval.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Ordinance No. 96379 authorized the City Manager or her authorized representative to accept a \$654,350 Local Law Enforcement Block Grant from the U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance on September 19, 2002. The City and Bexar County agreed to use the combined agencies' grant funding to form a Joint Gang Task Force. The City's portion of the funds were used to pay overtime costs for task force officers, purchase equipment needed by City officers staffing the task force, and to purchase seven patrol cars.

The Federal grant guidelines allow the grant funds to be deposited into an interest bearing trust fund and for all accrued interest to be used to further grant project goals. The accrued interest will be used to supplement grant funds for task force operations. The original ordinance request inadvertently omitted language authorizing the appropriation and expenditure of accrued interest. This amendment corrects the oversight and will make interest accrued in the grant available for expenditure.

POLICY ANALYSIS

The proposed ordinance continues City Council policy of seeking financial assistance from outside sources for law enforcement programs.

FISCAL IMPACT

This action will make available for expenditure all interest accrued over the two-year grant period. There is no General Fund impact.

COORDINATION

This ordinance has been coordinated with the City Attorney's Office, the Finance Department, and the Office of Management and Budget.

SUPPLEMENTARY COMMENTS

A Discretionary Contracts Disclosure Form is not required.

Albert A. Ortiz Chief of Police

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