



City Council Report

Date: October 17, 2016
To: City Council
Through: John Pombier, Assistant City Manager
From: John Meza, Police Chief
William Peters, Commander
Subject: Bureau of Justice Statistics - Grant Award - Citywide

**Strategic
Initiatives**



Purpose and Recommendation

The City of Mesa Police Department is respectfully requesting the Mesa City Council authorize the City Manager or his designee to enter into a Cooperative Agreement with the U.S. Department of Justice Office of Programs, Bureau of Justice Statistics to accept \$608,680 in grant funds, which will be used by the Police Department to cover the salary and benefits of personnel, two in Records and one in Information Technology, and software.

Background

The Mesa Police Department will use the grant funds towards the replacement of its existing Records Management System (RMS). The current system runs on discontinued technology from Microsoft which is no longer supported or updated. Many Microsoft security patches cannot be applied to the system as they conflict with the old technology.

Discussion

The FBI has mandated that all police agencies transition from Uniform Crime Reporting to Incident Based reporting by January 1, 2021. This will require extensive modification to the existing RMS. The change will be accomplished by replacement of the existing RMS with a new system that runs on supported technology and will comply with the FBI requirements.

Alternatives

Decline the funds. If the funds are declined, the conversion will need to take place before the FBI mandated due date of January 1, 2021, with the full cost being paid by the City of Mesa.

Fiscal Impact

The award amount is \$608,860. Mesa Police Department personnel will provide quarterly programmatic and financial reports. Mesa Police Department personnel will also monitor the account balance for the project. This is a three-year grant.

The estimated cost to the City of Mesa for the RMS conversion above and beyond the grant is \$4,000,000. This is a proposed Capital Improvement Project with a funding source of Future General Obligation Bonds.

Coordinated With

The City of Mesa Police Department recommends the approval of accepting funds from U.S. Department of Justice Office of Programs Bureau of Justice Statistics.