



Legislation Text

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Fiscal Note

This grant will be accounted for in an interest-bearing special revenue fund (SG 41). There is no effect on the expenditure restraint program or the levy.

Title

Authorizing the Mayor, City Clerk and Chief of Police to accept the FY 2011 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant award in the amount of \$125,385 and to utilize these funds to support several law enforcement initiatives.

Body

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Justice through the Office of Justice Programs, has designated the City of Madison to receive a Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) award; and,

WHEREAS, the terms of the grant require that Dane County and the City of Madison submit a joint application under one agency; and,

WHEREAS, in June, 2011 Mayor Paul Soglin and County Executive Joseph Parisi signed a Memorandum of Understanding regarding a proposed plan for the allocation and administration of any funds awarded; and,

WHEREAS, a copy of this Memorandum of Agreement was circulated to all City of Madison alderpersons in June and no comments were received; and,

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on July 5, 2011; and,

WHEREAS, previous awards have been utilized in the past to support the efforts of the Dane County Gang and Narcotics Task Force, the Dane County District Attorney's Office, the Dane County Drug Court, the Dane County District Attorney Crime Response Program, the Madison Police Department and the Dane County Sheriff's Office, and other local police departments.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor, City Clerk, and Chief of Police are authorized to accept the \$125,385 from the Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Police Department is authorized to spend the grant funds in accordance with the grant application, with modifications upon appropriate approvals from the Office of Justice Programs, as follows:

- 1) The Dane County Sheriff's Office will receive \$8,250 for enhanced mobile digital communicator equipment. (SG41-57810)
- 2) The City of Madison Police Department will receive \$94,635 plus any accrued interest from the segregated fund for the purchase of the following equipment to enhance law enforcement efforts.
 - \$50,000 for a forensic digital processing minilab for criminal investigations (SG41-58505)
 - \$22,000 for the purchase and equipping of a vehicle for the Special Investigations Unit detectives (SG41-58610)
 - \$18,750 for targeted offender services in support of the Department's Special Investigations Unit focused deterrence initiative (SG41-54920)
 - \$3,885 for safety improvements to a property room lift for storing and moving evidence and

property. (SG41-54401)

3) The Dane County Department of Human Services will receive \$15,000 to support the Drug Court Program. (SG41-54901)

4) The Dane County District Attorney's Office will receive \$7,500 to support the Crime Response Victim/Witness Program. (SG41-54901)

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the Finance Department and the Police Department are authorized to establish and/or maintain accounts as required for the administration of the grant funds.