



CITY OF VIRGINIA BEACH AGENDA ITEM

ITEM: An Ordinance to Accept and Appropriate Grant Funds for Public Safety and Criminal Processing

MEETING DATE: August 11, 2009

■ **Background:** The Edward Byrne Justice Assistance Grant (Byrne JAG) is a grant from the United States Department of Justice that is used to assist with law enforcement and criminal processing programs. The Byrne JAG supports a broad range of activities to prevent and control crime based on local needs and conditions. The Criminal Justice Board, which is comprised of City representatives from Police, Sheriff, Courts, and Community Corrections, agreed upon the best use of this grant funding.

■ **Considerations:** The total award for this grant is \$881,256. the Virginia Beach Criminal Justice Board recommends that the funds be used as follows:

- \$282,636 for the Police Department
 - \$122,636 for the purchase of driving course vehicles
 - \$160,000 for the purchase of additional tasers
- \$203,000 for the Sheriff
 - \$30,000 for a biometric access system
 - \$170,000 for a security control center
 - \$3,000 for Accurint law enforcement search software
- \$184,800 for the Office of the Commonwealth Attorney for case management software.
- \$88,864 for Youth Opportunities
 - \$50,750 to hire 25 temporary summer youth (each being a .88 FTE for 8 weeks)
 - \$17,292 for a temporary program coordinator position
 - \$14,536 for a temporary prevention specialist position
 - \$2,000 for a temporary skills teacher position
 - \$4,286 for supplies associated with summer youth employment program
- \$58,331 for Community Corrections
 - \$37,440 for a temporary pretrial investigator part-time position
 - \$20,891 for costs associated with substance abuse services and to purchase a printer/scanner

- \$46,000 to the Circuit Court
 - \$22,000 for a media evidence display system
 - \$24,000 for a temporary office assistant (.75 FTE)

- \$17,625 to the Court Service Unit
 - \$16,988 for a temporary clerical position (.75 FTE)
 - \$637 for Jolly Giant software

■ **Public Information:** Public information will be provided through the normal Council Agenda process.

■ **Recommendations:** It is recommended that City Council accept and appropriate the grant award of \$881,256 for the use of funds as suggested by the Criminal Justice Board.

■ **Attachments:** Ordinance

Recommended Action: Approval of Ordinance

Submitting Department/Agency: Police Department *am*

City Manager: *James K. Spivey*

1 AN ORDINANCE TO ACCEPT AND APPROPRIATE
2 GRANT FUNDS FOR PUBLIC SAFETY AND CRIMINAL
3 PROCESSING
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5 BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF VIRGINIA BEACH,
6 VIRGINIA:
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8 1. That \$881,256 is hereby accepted, with federal revenues increased accordingly,
9 from the Edward Byrne Justice Assistance Grant, through the United States Department of
10 Justice, and appropriated to the following agencies and departments as set forth below:
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- 12 a. \$282,636 to the Police Department for the purchase of driving course vehicles
13 and tasers;
14 b. \$203,000 to the Sheriff's Department for a biometric access system, a security
15 control center, and Accurint law enforcement search software;
16 c. \$184,800 to the Office of the Commonwealth's Attorney for case management
17 software;
18 d. \$88,864 to the Youth Opportunities Office for temporary summer youth
19 positions, a temporary program coordinator position, a temporary prevention
20 specialist position, a temporary skills teacher, and for supplies associated with
21 the summer youth employment program;
22 e. \$58,331 to Community Corrections for a temporary pretrial investigator,
23 substance abuse services, and to purchase a printer/scanner;
24 f. \$46,000 to the Circuit Court for a temporary office assistant and a media
25 evidence display system; and
26 g. \$17,625 to the Court Services Unit for a temporary clerical position and to
27 purchase software.
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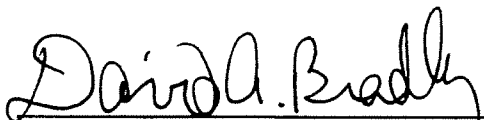
29 2. That all positions funded through this grant shall be eliminated when grant
30 funding expires.

Adopted by the Council of the City of Virginia Beach, Virginia on the _____ day
of _____ 2009.

Requires an affirmative vote by a majority of all the members of City Council.

Approved as to Content:

Approved as to Legal Sufficiency:


Management Services


City Attorney's Office