



# City of Grand Island

Tuesday, September 10, 2002

Council Session

## Item G6

### #2002-272 - Approving Use of Local Law Enforcement Block Grant Funds

*This item relates to the aforementioned Public Hearing.*

#### **BACKGROUND:**

*The Grand Island Police Department is eligible for federal LLEBG funds annually. This year, our award is \$33,593. Because of Hall County being federally designated as a “disparate community”, 25% of the funds will be awarded to the Hall County Sheriff’s Office. Our share, including the city match of \$2,604, will be \$23,432. These funds are not to be used for personnel costs; just police equipment.*

#### **DISCUSSION:**

*There is a federal mandate that requires a public hearing regarding the dispersing of the block grant funds. Additionally, a grant advisory board meeting was held to discuss the funds allocation. In September 2002, members of the grant advisory board consisting of Dr. Kent Mann, Jerry Janulewicz, Carol Castleberry, Charlotte Lanzdorf, and I discussed the 2001 grant. We are now asking to hold the public hearing for any input from the community.*

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

*The grant funds are tentatively allocated for the following: portable radios with replacement batteries and chargers and for supplemental replacement and installation costs of wireless communication equipment. It is allowable to carry over a portion LLEBG funds from year to year. I would propose that not all of these funds be specifically earmarked because of unforeseen equipment needs.*

#### **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

*Our cash match for 2002 LLEBG is \$2,604, which has been budgeted.*

#### **ALTERNATIVES:**

*Reallocate funds; refuse the grant.*

Staff Contact: Kyle Hetrick

RESOLUTION 2002-272

WHEREAS, the Grand Island Police Department has received notification that they have been awarded \$23,432 in grant funds for the year 2002 from the Local Law Enforcement Block Grants (LLEBG) program; and

WHEREAS, the funds are to be used for police equipment, not personnel costs; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on September 10, 2002 as required to discuss the proposed use of such funds; and

WHEREAS, it is proposed that the grant funds be used for the following purposes: portable radios with replacement batteries and charges, supplemental replacement and installation costs of wireless communication equipment, and unforeseen equipment needs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA, that approval be granted to utilize approximately \$23,432 of grant funds received from the Local Law Enforcement Block Grants program for the items listed above.

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Adopted by the City Council of the City of Grand Island, Nebraska on September 10, 2002.

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RaNae Edwards, City Clerk

Approved as to Form ? _____ September 6, 2002 ? City Attorney
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