



City of Grand Island

Tuesday, April 12, 2005

Council Session

Item G21

**#2005-109 - Approving Memorandum of Understanding with Hall
County Sheriff Relative to Allocation of JAG Grant Monies**

Staff Contact: Kyle Hetrick

Council Agenda Memo

From: Captain Robert Falldorf, Police Department

Meeting: April 12, 2005

Subject: Approval of Memorandum of Understanding between City of Grand Island and Hall County for Designation of Fiscal Agent and Agreement on Disbursement of Funds for 2005 Byrne Justice Assistance Grant

Item #'s: G-21

Presenter(s): Kyle Hetrick, Chief of Police

Background

The Grand Island Police Department and Hall County Sheriff's Department are eligible to receive Justice Assistance Grant money from the U.S. Department of Justice in 2005. This grant money replaces the Local Law Enforcement Block Grant money we have received in previous years. This year, a combined amount for both agencies of \$34,581 has been awarded and can be spent over a four year period. The Grand Island Police Department will serve as the fiscal agency on this grant. The Hall County Sheriff's Department will be a disparate agency and will receive \$8,645, leaving the Grand Island Police Department with \$25,936.

Discussion

There is a federal mandate that requires a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the City of Grand Island and Hall County. The purpose of this MOU is to show agreement as to who will act as the fiscal agent for the grant and to show agreed upon disbursement amounts. From the total award amount to the Grand Island Police Department of \$25,936, \$17,291 is tentatively allocated to purchase Panasonic Tough Book laptop computers for patrol vehicles. The remaining \$8,645 from the grant funds awarded to the Grand Island Police Department is tentatively allocated to the Central Nebraska Drug Court for personnel costs. All funds disbursed to the Hall County Sheriff's Department (\$8,645) as the disparate agency are tentatively allocated to purchase equipment for Sheriff's Department vehicles.

Alternatives

It appears that the Council has the following alternatives concerning the issue at hand. The Council may:

1. Approve the MOU between the City of Grand Island and Hall County.
2. Send to committee for further discussion.
3. Table for more discussion.
4. Take no action.

Recommendation

City Administration recommends that the Council approve the MOU between the City of Grand Island and Hall County pertaining to JAG funding.

Sample Motion

Approve the Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Grand Island and Hall County pertaining to Byrne Justice Assistance Grant funding.

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THE STATE OF NEBRASKA

COUNTY OF HALL

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
BETWEEN THE CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA
AND COUNTY OF HALL, NEBRASKA

2005 BYRNE JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT (JAG) PROGRAM AWARD

This agreement is made and entered into this _____ day of April, 2005, by and between The County of Hall, acting by and through its governing body, The Hall County Board of Supervisors, hereinafter referred to as COUNTY, and the CITY of Grand Island, acting by and through its governing body, the City Council, hereinafter referred to as CITY, both of Hall County, State of Nebraska, witnesseth:

WHEREAS, the City and County may apply for a direct award from the Justice Assistance Grant Program of \$34,581 and the City shall act as fiscal agent for this award and file the joint application on behalf of the City and County: and

WHEREAS, each governing body, in performing governmental functions or in paying for the performance of governmental functions hereunder, shall make that performance or those payments from current revenues legally available to that party: and

WHEREAS, each governing body finds that the performance of this agreement is in the best interests of both parties, that the undertaking will benefit the public, and that the division of costs fairly compensates the performing party for the services or functions under this agreement: and

WHEREAS, the CITY agrees to provide the COUNTY \$8,645 from the \$34,581 JAG award: and

WHEREAS, the CITY and COUNTY believe it to be in their best interests to reallocate the JAG funds.

NOW THEREFORE, the COUNTY and City agree as follows:

Section 1.

CITY agrees to pay COUNTY a total of \$8,645 of JAG funds.

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Section 2.

COUNTY agrees to use the \$8,645 JAG funds by 5-1-09.

Section 3.

Each party to this agreement will be responsible for its own actions in providing services under this agreement and shall not be liable for any civil liability that may arise from the furnishing of the services by the other party.

CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA

COUNTY OF HALL, NEBRASKA

Mayor

Board Chairperson

ATTEST: APPROVED AS TO FORM

City Clerk

County Clerk

City Attorney

County Attorney

RESOLUTION 2005-109

WHEREAS, the City of Grand Island received notification that it will receive \$34,581 in grant funds through the 2005 Byrne Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program; and

WHEREAS, the amount awarded is to be used by the Grand Island Police Department and the Hall County Sheriff's Department in accordance with criteria established by the grant program; and

WHEREAS, the Grand Island Police Department will serve as the fiscal agency on the grant; and

WHEREAS, it is recommended that the Hall County Sheriff's Department receive \$8,645, with the remainder of the funds to be used by the Grand Island Police Department; and

WHEREAS, the proposed Memorandum of Understanding has been reviewed by the City Attorney.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA, that the Memorandum of Understanding by and between the City and the County of Hall for the disbursement of \$8,645 in grant funds to the County of Hall received by the City of Grand Island through the 2005 Byrne Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program is hereby approved.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to execute such Memorandum of Understanding on behalf of the City of Grand Island.

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Adopted by the City Council of the City of Grand Island, Nebraska, April 12, 2005.

RaNae Edwards, City Clerk

Approved as to Form	☐ _____
April 6, 2005	☐ City Attorney