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Agenda Item Summary

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Agenda Item Title

A Resolution Authorizing the Submission of a United States Department of Justice Office of Community Oriented Policing Services Grant for De-Escalation Training Strategies

Overview

This resolution authorizes staff to submit an application for the De-escalation Training grant as part of the department's training for law enforcement Officers to build agency knowledge and more effectively deescalate and implement best practices.

Recommendation

Adopt the resolution.

Fiscal Impact

If awarded, the grant would fund 100% of the costs associated with implementing the program and requires no local match.

This is a competitive grant with no guarantee of receiving the funds.

Background

The Department of Justice (DOJ) announced the solicitation to provide funding to support the implementation of de-escalation strategies referring to the verbal and non-verbal skills to slow down the sequence of events, enhance situational awareness, conduct proper threat assessments and allow for better decision-making to ensure the safest possible outcomes.

Awarded grant projects will receive 100% funding for costs associated with the program up to a maximum of \$250,000 for a duration of two (2) years. There is no local match.

The funding goals include:

- Aspects of communication and physical tactics
- Community engagement and procedural justice
- Individual level de-escalation, implicit bias, and duty to intervene techniques training

Alternatives

The Village could decline the grant opportunity.

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Previous Board Action

N/A

Citizen Advisory Commission Action

N/A

Anticipated Future Actions/Commitments

N/A

Intergovernmental Cooperation Opportunities

N/A