

**TO THE COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF LOS ANGELES**

File No. 10-0009

Your PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

reports as follows:

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT relative to extending the terms of the 2009 Los Angeles Smart Policing Project grant and the Police Department's contract with Justice and Security Strategies, Inc.

Recommendations for Council action, SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR:

1. AUTHORIZE the Chief of Police, or designee, to:
 - a. Accept the 2009 Los Angeles Smart Policing Project no-cost grant extension from the United States Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance, for a new grant term of October 1, 2009, through February 28, 2013.
 - b. Negotiate and execute the grant extension agreement on behalf of the City and submit all necessary documents relative to the grant award, subject to the approval of the City Attorney as to form and legality.
 - c. Execute the Third Amendment to Contract No. C-118498 with Justice and Security Strategies, Inc., to extend the term of the contract by six months from August 31, 2012, to February 28, 2013, subject to the approval of the City Attorney as to form and legality.
2. TRANSFER appropriations within Fund 339, Department 70 from the 2009 Los Angeles Smart Policing Appropriation Account No. F550, to the following accounts:

<u>Account No.</u>	<u>Amount</u>
70J170	\$19,505.00
70J299	\$7,216.45
3. AUTHORIZE the Police Department to prepare Controller instructions for any necessary technical adjustments consistent with this action, subject to the approval of the City Administrative Officer (CAO); and, REQUEST that the Controller implement the instructions.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The CAO reports that this is a no-cost (time only) grant extension. Grant monies are provided on a reimbursement basis, therefore, the Police Department will provide front-funding for this program, which continues to provide funding for City personnel, training fees, travel, equipment, and contractual services. The above recommendations are in compliance with City financial policies in that grant revenues plus budgeted funds are available to support the total cost of the program.

SUMMARY

In a report to Council dated January 10, 2013 (attached to the Council file), the CAO states that the Police Department seeks authority to accept a no-cost grant term extension for the 2009 Los Angeles Smart Policing Project, and to extend the term of the Police Department's contract with Justice and Security Strategies, Inc., by six months to February 28, 2013.

The CAO reports that the purpose of the Smart Policing Initiative is to enhance the Police Department's data-driven, evidence-based approach to crime control. Extending the grant term will allow the Department to implement, expand, and complete the evaluation of the Los Angeles Strategic Extraction and Restoration (LASER) Program. Operation LASER emphasizes location-based and offender-based strategies. Within the Smart Policing Initiative, the Police Department and Justice and Security Strategies, Inc., will continue to focus on reducing gun violence in specific neighborhoods in Los Angeles. Using computer mapping, a variety of location-based data, and spatial analysis, the Police Department will select specific areas for intervention and mitigation. The goals of this strategy is to reduce crimes by improving the use of analytical tools, improve neighborhood safety by using problem solving techniques, and increase efficiency of police officers and investigators by using new and innovative technology.

The CAO goes on to report that extending the term of the contract with Justice and Security Strategies, Inc., will allow the contractor to continue to analyze data, develop crime reduction strategies, and write analytical reports that link problem solving, criminology theory, and spatial analysis. On October 9, 2012, the Board of Police Commissioners approved the Police Department's request. The CAO concurs with this action.

At its meeting held January 11, 2013, the Public Safety Committee recommended that Council approve the proposed extensions of the grant term and program contract, and to approve the related actions above, as recommended by the Board of Police Commissioners and the CAO.

Respectfully submitted,

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

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<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
ENGLANDER:	YES
PERRY:	ABSENT
BUSCAINO:	YES
KREKORIAN:	ABSENT
ZINE:	YES

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