

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the acceptance of a grant award in the amount of \$400,000 from the United States Department of Justice, Office of Violence Against Women, for the Fiscal Year 2015 (FY15) Sexual Assault Justice Initiative (SAJI) for a term of 24 months from January 1, 2016 to December 13, 2017.

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

1. AUTHORIZE the Mayor, or designee, to:
 - a. Accept on behalf of the City, the FY15 SAJI Grant Award in the amount of \$400,000 from the Department of Justice, Office of Violence Against Women, for a performance period of January 1, 2016 to December 31, 2017.
 - b. Execute the Grant Award Agreement on behalf of the City and submit any other necessary agreements and documents relative to the grant award, subject to the approval of the City Attorney as to form and legality.
 - c. Adopt the FY15 SAJI Grant Award budget and authorize the Mayor's Office of Public Safety to expend the grant in accordance with the approved budget.
 - d. Submit to the grantor on behalf of the City of Los Angeles, requests for drawdown of funds for payment or reimbursements of City and partner jurisdiction funds expended for approved grant purposes.
 - e. Receive, deposit into, and disburse from a new FY15 SAJI Grant Award Fund, the grant funds from the FY15 SAJI grant award.
 - f. Resolve an employment authority in the City Attorney's Office for the period January 1, 2016 to December 31, 2017, for one Deputy City Attorney I (0551) position is approved.
2. AUTHORIZE the Controller to establish a new interest-bearing Fund entitled FY 2015 Sexual Assault Justice Initiative and create a receivable in this new Fund in the amount of \$400,000, expend funds upon presentation of proper documentation from the Mayor's office and create new appropriation accounts within the new Fund No. XXX/46 as follows:

<u>Account</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Amount</u>
46M212	City Attorney - Salaries	\$206,322
46M299	Related Costs	168,523
46M213	Travel	21,687
46M602	Other Costs	<u>3,468</u>
		Total: \$400,000

3. REQUEST the Controller to transfer up to \$168,523 from Fund No. XXX, Account No. 46M299 to the City Attorney's General Fund No. 100/12, Revenue Source No. 5346, for reimbursement of grant-funded related costs.

4. REQUEST the Controller to transfer up to \$51,581 from Fund No. XXX, Account No. 46M212 to the City Attorney's General Fund No. 100/12, Account No. 001010 - Salaries - General grant-funded salaries to be incurred in FY 2015-16.

5. INSTRUCT the City Clerk to place on Council Calendar for **July 1, 2016**, the following action relative to the SAJI:

That the City Council, subject to the approval of the Mayor, authorize the Controller to transfer \$103,161 from Fund No. XXX - FY 2015-17 Sexual Assault Justice Initiative Grant, Account No. 46X212 - City Attorney Salaries to Fund No. 100/12, Account No. 001010 Salaries - General

6. INSTRUCT the City Clerk to place on Council Calendar for **July 1, 2017**, the following action relative to the Sexual Assault Justice Initiative:

That the City Council, subject to the approval of the Mayor, authorize the Controller to transfer \$51,580 from Fund No. XXX - FY 2015-17 Sexual Assault Justice Initiative Grant, Account No. 46X212 - City Attorney Salaries to Fund No. 100/12, Account No. 001010 Salaries - General;

7. AUTHORIZE the Controller to transfer cash from Fund No. XXX/46 to reimburse the General Fund, on an as-needed basis, upon presentation of proper documentation from City Departments, subject to the approval of the Mayor's Office of Public Safety.

8. AUTHORIZE the Mayor, or designee, to prepare Controller's instructions for any necessary technical adjustments, subject to the approval of the City Administrative Officer (CAO); and, AUTHORIZE the Controller to implement the instructions.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The CAO reports that there is no additional General Fund impact. Acceptance of the FY15 SAJI Grant award in the amount of \$400,000 will provide an enhanced community response to sexual violence with an emphasis on improving prosecution. Acceptance of the grant and the recommendations in this report are in compliance with the City's Financial Policies in that one-time grant funds will be used for one-time expenditures.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

(Personnel and Animal Welfare Committee waived consideration of the above matter)

SUMMARY

At the meeting held on May 17, 2016, your Public Safety Committee considered a Communication from the Mayor and CAO report relative to accepting a grant award in the amount of \$400,000 from the United States Department of Justice, Office of Violence Against Women for the FY15 SAJI for a term of 24 months from January 1, 2016 to December 13, 2017. The CAO reports that the SAJI, a special project of the Office of Violence Against Women, funds enhanced community responses to sexual violence with an emphasis on improving prosecution through the implementation of promising practices and corresponding performance measures. The grant will be utilized to fund and establish Team PROTECT (Promising Resources and

Organizations to Enhance Cases and Trials), a collaborative effort and partnership between the Los Angeles City Attorney's Office, Los Angeles Police Department, the Mayor's Office of Public Safety, and the Santa Monica-UCLA Rape Treatment Center. Team PROTECT will serve to enhance Los Angeles' justice system response to sexual violence and to strengthen collaboration among partners through cross-training, case reviews, improved referral-making, and enhanced policies and procedures. After an opportunity for public comment was held, the Committee moved to approve the recommendations presented in the CAO transmittal, as detailed above. This matter is now forwarded to the Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE



<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
ENGLANDER:	YES
BUSCAINO:	YES
BONIN:	YES
O'FARRELL:	YES
MARTINEZ:	YES

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