



CITY OF VENICE POLICE DEPARTMENT



TOM MATTMULLER * Police Chief

TO: Ed Lavallee, City Manager

FROM: Tom Mattmuller, Chief *JAM*

DATE: October 23, 2018

CITY COUNCIL MEETING DATE: November 13, 2018

SUBJECT: Council Agenda Item – Accept Funds from Office of Justice Programs –
Bulletproof Vest Partnership

Background: On an annual basis, the Office of Justice Programs provides grant money to the Venice Police Department to purchase bulletproof vests. The VPD Criminalistics Specialist applies for the grant - noting how many officers are currently employed, how many may retire/resign, and how many new officers we will hire within the year. Based on this estimation, the award is determined by the Office of Justice.

Agencies the size such as ours, always receive half the cost of the vests from the grant, e.g., a vest costs \$849.00 - \$1,062.00. We pay the cost from our budgeted line item. Once the paperwork is submitted for the grant, the Office of Justice reimburses us via direct deposit into the general fund, \$424.50 - \$531.00, which is half the cost of the vest.

Every March or April, the grant opens for agencies to apply. Once submitted, the Office of Justice reviews the agency's needs and determines the award finding. The VPD is notified in October or November. The award for the FY 19 is \$2,104.78. The Venice Police Department maintains the grant paperwork because of auditing purposes.

Requested Action: VPD requests permission to accept and use these grant funds. All of the bulletproof vests for the Venice Police Department are purchased through this partnership with the Office of Justice Programs.

City Attorney Review: Reviewed (10/23/18)

Risk Management Review: Not applicable

Funds Availability (Account Number): 1001-0000-331.0800

Attachment: Application – Bulletproof Vest Partnership

C: L. Senne, Finance Director
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