



RAPID CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT

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Karl Jegeris, Chief of Police

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Karl Jegeris, Chief of Police

DATE: 11-7-16

SUBJECT: Notice of Grant Awards and Request Approval for 2017 Budget Supplement

I am excited to be able to report to you that we have been successful with two recent grant opportunities that will allow us to increase our staffing levels in 2017 with minimal impact to the general fund.

The Department of Justice COPS hiring grant was awarded to us to cover 62.4% of 3 additional Police Officers wage and benefit expense for the next 3 years. The value of this grant to the City of Rapid City over 3 years is \$375,000. Rapid City and Sioux Falls were the only cities in South Dakota to be granted this award this year, with Sioux Falls receiving funding for 2 additional Police Officers.

In addition, the 2016 Highway Safety Grant has awarded our department \$131,064 to fully cover wage and benefit expense for 2 additional Police Officers in 2017.

I would request city council approval to allow finance to include a supplement to the Police Department's 2017 budget in the amount of \$326,528. \$254,208 will be reflected as revenue, and \$72,320 will come from the general fund undesignated cash with your approval.

We are conducting a Police Officer hiring process this month, and plan to make job offers to fill these positions in January of 2017.

City Council Minutes, 6-6-16

41. No. LF060116-08 – Authorize Staff to Apply for and Accept if Granted 2016 COPS Grant

In response to a question from Scott, Jegeris said the grant was needed in order to bring on other officers. He said some positions have changed and the workload needs to be spread out better. The grant allows expanding the duties of existing positions. Motion was made by Doyle, second by Drew to approve (No. LF060116-08) Authorize Staff to Apply for and Accept if Granted 2016 COPS Grant.