Agenda Item No: 9.A



STAFF REPORT

Report To: Board of Supervisors Meeting Date: September 17, 2020

Staff Contact: Max Cortes

For Possible Action: Discussion and possible action regarding the Office of Criminal Agenda Title:

> Justice Assistance Grant Award #20CSEF-02 in the amount of \$56.532 for the Judicial Response and Needs to Combat COVID-19 project in Carson City Courts. (Max Cortes,

mcortes@carson.org)

Staff Summary: The Courts applied for COVID-19 grant funding through the Office of Criminal Justice Assistance (OCJA) to assist with purchasing technology equipment. online subscriptions for interviews, funding for deep cleaning the Detention Facility and Online Dispute Resolution (ODR) to assist with combating COVID-19. OCJA awarded Carson City a grant in the amount of \$56,532, effective January 20, 2020 through June 30, 2021. This grant is provided through the 2020 COVID Emergency Funding Program (CESF). Due to the current state of emergency and the State's request for a quick turnaround to apply for the funds and sign the grant award, there was not ample time to obtain prior Board of Supervisor approval. The grant award was signed by the City Manager and this item is for the Board to ratify the acceptance of the grant.

Agenda Action: Formal Action / Motion Time Requested: Consent

Proposed Motion

I move to ratify acceptance of the grant.

Board's Strategic Goal

Efficient Government

Previous Action

None

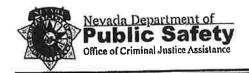
Background/Issues & Analysis

The grant was applied for prior to Cares Act or stimulus funding becoming available to local governments. Implementing ODR for appropriate court cases is an opportunity to provide service to the public without requiring in-person appearance at the courts. Traffic, small claims and civil actions are some of the case types that could be resolved online. Courts in other states have had tremendous success with providing ODR by having individuals participate in discussions online with other parties in the case and the District Attorney's Office. ODR reduces in-person appearances and allows parties to conveniently resolve cases using a home computer, tablet, laptop or mobile phone. Instituting ODR will reduce the number of individuals who need to repeatedly appear at court hearings to resolve their court cases. Reducing the number of individuals coming to the courts will assist with reducing the spread of COVID-19 and provides high risk individuals access to the courts without compromising their health and well-being. The Justices of the Peace and Jason Woodbury,

District Attorney, support the ODR program. The grant will be effective January 20, 2020 through June 30, 2021. There is no match required for this grant and OCJA will reimburse for expenses retroactive to January 20, 2020.

Applicable Statute, Code, Policy, Rule or Regulation N/A
Financial Information Is there a fiscal impact? Yes
If yes, account name/number: 275 Grant Fund - Revenue and Expense Project strings are yet to be established.
Is it currently budgeted? No
Explanation of Fiscal Impact: Grant Award in the amount of \$56,532. No match required. Revenue and expense budget will be augmented during the first round of budget augmentations in January.
Alternatives Do not ratify acceptance of the grant.
Attachments: Grant Award.pdf
Board Action Taken: 1) Aye/Nay 2)

(Vote Recorded By)



Signature of Approving Official

STATE OF NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

OFFICE OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE ASSISTANCE

Grant Award

2020 COVID Emergency Funding Program (CESF)

2020-VD-BX-0150 CFDA# 16.034						
SUB-GRANTEE:	City of Carson City		PROJECT NUMBER		20-CESF-02	
ADDRESS:	201 N. Carson Street Carson City, NV 89701	DUNS# 073787152				
PROJECT TITLE:	Judicial Response and Needs to Combat COVID-19					
GRANT PERIOD	Jan 20, 2020 – June 30, 2021		TOTAL FEDERAL GRANT FUNDS:		\$56,532.00	
	APPROVED BUDGE	TFOR	PROJE	CT		
CATEGORY			TOTAL PROJECT COSTS			
Personnel			\$.00			
Travel/Training			\$.00			
Supplies/Operating		\$52,692.00				
Contractors	\$.00					
Equipment			\$.00			
Other					\$3,840.00	
Total This award is subject to the requirements (General and Fiscal Conditions, including General Operating Policies) establish						
the Office of Criminal	to the requirements (General and Fiscal Co Justice Assistance, Nevada Department of NDITIONS: This project is subject to such co	onditions or	iy. Ilmitetions as	s set forth on th	e attached page(s).	
AG	SUB-GRANTEE ACCEPTANCE					
Office of Criminal Victoria Hauan, A	City of Nancy	y of Carson City ncy Paulson, City Manager				

8-10-2020

Date

Signature of Approving Official

Date