



AGENDA ITEM #: 16-134
COUNCIL MTG OF: October 4, 2016
FROM: S. Daly, Acting Town Administrator
OFFERED BY: Chief Edward B. Garone
PREPARED BY: Captain George R. Feole
SUBJECT: Grants from the NH Highway Safety Agency; STEP Patrols, DWI Patrols and Bicycle/Pedestrian Patrols

STAFF REPORT
Public Hearing
10-18-16

PURPOSE

To accept grants from the NH Highway Safety Agency for Sustained Traffic Enforcement Patrol (STEP) Patrols, DWI Patrols and Bicycle/Pedestrian Patrols.

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR COMMENTS

I have reviewed and concur with the Chief's recommendation.

BACKGROUND

Periodically, the NH Highway Safety Agency distributes funds to support selective traffic enforcement patrols.

The Police Department has received contracts for three such programs. The first, entitled Sustained Traffic Enforcement (STEP), the second, DWI Patrols and the third, entitled Bicycle/Pedestrian Patrols, all run from October 1, 2016 through September 30, 2017. The Sustained Traffic Enforcement Patrol grant provides \$19,601.40 in funding to cover 280 hours of patrols. The DWI Patrols grant provides \$5,294.95 in funding to cover 72 hours of patrols and the Bicycle/Pedestrian patrols grant provides \$5,600.40 for 88 hours of patrols. The three grants total \$30,496.75.

The NH Highway Safety Agency will reimburse the Town for 100% of the salary-related expenses plus associated roll up costs for all hours worked under the grants. The Town is responsible for in kind cost matches for each grant. Those costs are delineated in the attached applications.

Enforcement patrols will be scheduled throughout the grant period as one-man patrols. Officers assigned will be reimbursed at their respective overtime rate.

DISCUSSION

Authorize the Acting Town Administrator and Chief of Police to execute the grant contracts as indicated in the grant packets and authorize the Acting Town Administrator to accept and expend the funds, on behalf of the Town, if the contracts are approved as submitted.

FISCAL IMPACT

The acceptance of these funds will have minimal impact on the budget since all salary and attendant roll up costs are reimbursed by the NH Highway Safety Agency and all matching costs are already budgeted in the department's operating budget.

RECOMMENDED ACTION BY COUNCIL

The Town Council move to authorize the Acting Town Administrator to sign the contracts and execute any associated documents with the NH Highway Safety Agency.

RECOMMENDED MOTION

I MOVE THAT THE TOWN COUNCIL adopt Resolution #2016-030 ... *(Read the Resolution)*

Vote required: Simple majority of the Councilors present.

Attachments: Grant contracts
Resolution #2016-030

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RESOLUTION

Number 2016-030

To Accept 2017 Sustained Traffic Enforcement Patrol, DWI Patrol and
the Bicycle/Pedestrian Patrol Grants

WHEREAS, Section 9.15 of the Town Charter authorizes the Town Council to apply for grant funding; and

WHEREAS, such funding has been offered by the State of New Hampshire Highway Safety Agency to reimburse the Derry Police Department for the labor costs incurred to engage in Sustained Traffic Enforcement Patrols (STEP), DWI Patrols and Bicycle/Pedestrian Patrols during the period from October 1, 2016 through September 30, 2017; and

WHEREAS, the \$30,496.75 of the grant funding offered will pay for an additional 440 hours of enhanced supplemental highway safety enforcement that will aid in promoting safe streets in Derry; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held by the Town Council on October 18, 2017 as required by the granting authority;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED IN COUNCIL that the Town Administrator is hereby authorized to accept and expend such grant funding.

This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its passage.

Adopted: October 18, 2016.

Attest:

X _____

Brian Chirichiello, Council Chair

Date: _____

X _____

Daniel Healey, Town Clerk

Date: _____