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City of Alexandria, Virginia

MEMORANDUM

DATE: MAY 18, 2016

TO: THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

FROM: MARK B. JINKS, CITY MANAGER \s\

DOCKET TITLE:

Consideration of an Application for the Renewal of the Justice Assistance Grant for the Police Department's Part I Crimes Task Force.

<u>ISSUE</u>: Consideration of a renewal grant application to the U.S. Department of Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program, in the amount of \$31,713 in federal funds.

RECOMMENDATION: That City Council:

- (1) Approve the grant application (due in late June 2016) to the Department of Justice in the amount of \$31,713; and
- (2) Authorize the City Manager to execute all the necessary documents that may be required.

BACKGROUND: The Federal Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) program was first funded in

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FY 2005, replacing the former Law Enforcement Block Grant (LEBG) program. The City has participated in these programs since 1997. The JAG grant would enable enhanced enforcement of Part I (serious) crimes. The Police Department addresses Part I crime trends through task force style investigations involving multiple officers.

<u>DISCUSSION</u>: Federal grant funds will be used for overtime to hire back officers to replace those temporarily assigned to investigate Part I crimes. Staff has monitored the Department of Justice website and have been informed that open solicitation will begin in early May 2016. The on-line application is due in the third week of June. Alexandria's share of funding is predetermined by the grantor agency.

FISCAL IMPACT: There is no required match from the City and, therefore, no additional fiscal impact from this grant.

ATTACHMENT: None.

STAFF:

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