

APPLICATION FOR

1. TYPE OF SUBMISSION Application Non-Construction		2. DATE SUBMITTED 07/10/2007		APPLICATION IDENTIFIER	
		3. DATE RECEIVED BY STATE		STATE APPLICATION IDENTIFIER	
		4. DATE RECEIVED BY FEDERAL AGENCY		FEDERAL IDENTIFIER	
5. APPLICANT INFORMATION					
Legal Name City of Pleasant Hill			Organizational Unit Police Department		
Address (city, state, and zip code) 100 Gregory Ln. Pleasant Hill, California 94523-1921			Name and telephone number of the person to be contacted on matters involving this application Peter Enea (925) 288-4610		
6. EMPLOYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (EIN) 94-1527261			7. TYPE OF APPLICANT Municipal		
8. TYPE OF APPLICATION New			9. NAME OF FEDERAL AGENCY Bureau of Justice Assistance		
10. CATALOG OF FEDERAL DOMESTIC ASSISTANCE Number: 16.738 CFDA Title: EDWARD BYRNE MEMORIAL JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT PROGRAM			11. DESCRIPTIVE TITLE OF APPLICANT'S PROJECT Automatic License Plate Recognition System		
12. AREAS AFFECTED BY PROJECT City of Pleasant Hill					
13. PROPOSED PROJECT		14. CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT(S) OF			
Start Date: 07/01/2007	Ending Date: 06/30/2011	a. Applicant CA10	b. Project CA10		
15. ESTIMATED FUNDING			16. IS APPLICATION SUBJECT TO REVIEW BY STATE EXECUTIVE ORDER 12372 PROCESS?		
a. Federal	\$14,083	Program has not been selected by state for review			
b. Applicant	\$0				
c. State	\$0				
d. Local	\$0				
e. Other	\$0				
f. Program Income	\$0	17. IS THE APPLICANT DELINQUENT ON ANY FEDERAL DEBT?			
g. Total	\$14,083	N			
18. TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF, ALL DATA IN THIS APPLICATION/PREAPPLICATION ARE TRUE AND CORRECT, THE DOCUMENT HAS BEEN DULY AUTHORIZED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE APPLICANT AND THE APPLICANT WILL COMPLY WITH THE ATTACHED ASSURANCES IF THE ASSISTANCE IS REQUIRED.					
a. Typed Name of Authorized Representative Peter Enea		b. Title Lieutenant		c. Telephone number (925) 288-4610	
d. Signature of Authorized Representative				e. Date Signed	

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Program Narrative

The City of Pleasant Hill is an urban residential community which maintains a police department of approximately 45 sworn members. The department provides 24 hour law enforcement services to a population of about 35,000 people. The city is situated in the approximate geographic center of Contra Costa County and is home to Diablo Valley Junior College, John F Kennedy University and bordered by a regional shopping mall. Interstate I-680 a major transportation route connecting the county to Oakland, San Francisco and San Jose bisects the city. Consequently the department experiences traffic related issues more commonly found in a much larger city.

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The department anticipates the grant award to be supplemental funding to the total cost of the project estimated to be approximately \$35,000. The department anticipates having to coordinate additional funding using California Supplemental Law Enforcement Services Fund (SLESF – FY 2007-2008).

BUDGET NARRATIVE

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SLESF funding becomes available in September 2007.



CITY COUNCIL STAFF REPORT

Date: July 16, 2007

City of Pleasant Hill

TO THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

SUBJECT: A PUBLIC HEARING FOR AUTHORIZATION OF THE ACCEPTANCE OF FUNDS UNDER THE EDWARD BYRNE MEMORIAL JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT (JAG) PROGRAM.

SYNOPSIS

The Police Department has applied for a JAG program grant in the amount of \$14,083 for the fiscal year 2007-2008 through the U.S. Department of Justice Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program. Staff is seeking Council authority to accept the grant.

DISCUSSION

The FY2007 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program allows states, tribes, and local governments to support a broad range of activities to prevent and control crime based on their own local needs and conditions. JAG blends the previous Byrne Formula and Local Law Enforcement Block Grant (LLEBG) Programs to provide agencies with the flexibility to prioritize and place justice funds where they are needed most. This program is administered through the U.S. Department of Justice. The JAG formula includes a minimum base allocation with the remaining amount determined on the jurisdiction's population and Part 1 violent crime statistics. All grantees must apply for the JAG grant and police staff did so in June, 2007.

Eligible departments applying for a JAG award must make the grant application available for Council review and also assure the application was made public be used for state and local initiatives, technical assistance, training, homeland security, personnel, equipment, supplies, contractual support, and information systems for criminal justice. Based on an analysis of current needs and available funding, police staff believes the limited grant funds are best expended in the area of information systems for homeland security.

The Pleasant Hill Police Department has been granted \$14,083 with no matching funds required. Based on the grant amount, staff is recommending the funds be used to supplemental funding to the total costs associated with the implementation of an Automatic License Plate Recognition system.

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FISCAL IMPACT

The above program has no immediate fiscal impact.

PUBLIC CONTACT

Public contact was made through posting of the agenda on the City's official notice bulletin board, posting of the agenda on the City's web page, and availability of the agenda and staff report in the City Clerk's office, at the Central Library, and at the Pleasant Hill Police Department.

ALTERNATIVE COURSE OF ACTION

D not approve this project and lose allocated grant funding.

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RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the City Council adopt the attached resolution accepting the grant and authorizing the expenditure for the acquisition of the Automatic License Plate Recognition system.

Prepared by: Lieutenant John F Pratt
Support Services Division Commander

Reviewed by: Peter Dunbar
Chief of Police

Attachments: Proposed Resolution

Request for City Council Action

MEETING DATE: July 16, 2007

ITEM NO.

TITLE OF ITEM: PUBLIC HEARING FOR AUTHORIZING OF THE
ACCEPTANCE OF FUNDS UNDER THE EDWARD BRYNE MEMORIAL
JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT (JAG) PROGRAM FY 2007
LOCAL SOLICITATION

ACTION REQUESTED
OR RECOMMENDED: Accept allocated award pending grant application approval.

REQUESTED BY: Chief Peter Dunbar
DATES OF NOTICE:

AGENDA CATEGORY

Presentation	___	Public Works	___
Proclamation	___	City Attorney	___
Consent Calendar	<u>X</u>	Mayor's Report	___
Admin. & Finance	___	Council Report	___
Comm. Dev.	___	Closed Session	___
		Other	___

ATTACHMENTS

This request has the following items attached for City Council review:

Staff Report	<u>X</u>	Minutes	___
Financial Report	___	Check List	___

Other _____

REVIEW OF DOCUMENTS

This item contains official documents which have been reviewed as follows:

<u>Document</u>	<u>Reviewed By</u>
Resolution <u> X </u>	_____
Ordinance _____	Department Head
Agreement _____	_____
	City Manager

	City Attorney
Other _____	_____
	Other

RESOLUTION NO. _____

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PLEASANT HILL
AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ACCEPT FUNDS FROM THE EDWARD
BYRNE MEMORIAL JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT (JAG)
(FY 2007 LOCAL SOLICITAION)**

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs' Bureau of Justice Assistance has authorized a grant of \$14, 083 to the Pleasant Hill Police Department under the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG); and

WHEREAS, as a condition of receiving the grant funds, the United States Department of Justice, requires the City Council to review and make public the expenditure of grant funds for a specific purpose; and

WHEREAS, the Pleasant Hill Police Department recommends that the grant funds be spent on equipment and prevention measures; specifically the installation of and Automatic License Plate Recognition (ALPR) system; and

WHEREAS, the City Council held a public hearing on July 16, 2007 to review, comment

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and consider the proposed expenditures.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Pleasant Hill authorizes the expenditure of the grant funds for the purchase of and Automatic License Plate Recognition (ALPR) system .

ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Pleasant Hill at a regular meeting held on the 16th of July, 2007, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

David Durant, Mayor

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

MARTY McINTURF, City Clerk

DEBRA S. MARGOLIS, City Attorney



CITY COUNCIL STAFF REPORT

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