

Council Meeting of
January 12, 2010

Honorable Mayor and Members
of the Torrance City Council
City Hall
Torrance, California

Members of the Council:

SUBJECT: Police – Restore one Police Officer position. Expenditure: \$184,900 annually.

RECOMMENDATION

Recommendation of the Chief of Police and the Finance Director that Council approve the restoration of one Police Officer position.

FUNDING

Funding for the position is to be provided through the Department's Operating Budget.

BACKGROUND / ANALYSIS

In September 2009, the Police Department was awarded \$351,425 from the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance, under the 2009 Recovery Act Edward Byrne Memorial Competitive Grant. The award allows the City to create two, civilian Services Officer positions in the Police Department. These positions will be assigned administrative duties currently held by sworn officers, thereby enabling the Department to re-assign the sworn officers to field duty. This is consistent with the direction the Department is taking in utilizing non-sworn personnel to perform jobs that do not require Police Officer powers; therefore preserving limited budgetary resources while improving service to the community.

The grant period is for two years beginning January 1, 2010. The grant will generate savings to the Department as the sworn personnel are assigned to field duty. The Police Department requests that the savings be used to restore one Police Officer position that was deleted as part of the Police Department's budget reduction package.

The annual composite labor rate for a Police Officer is \$184,900. The funding for the position will be re-assessed at the end of the grant period.

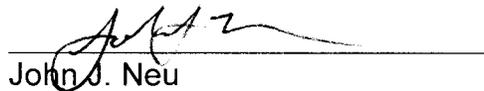
Respectfully submitted,

JOHN J. NEU
Chief of Police

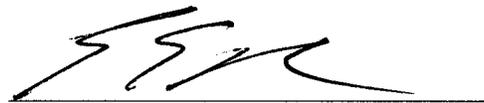


By Captain Kevin Kreager
Administrative Bureau Commander

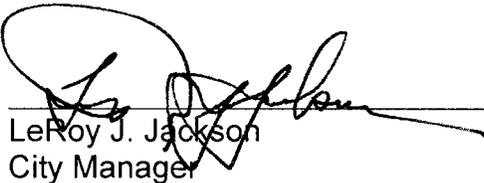
CONCUR:



John J. Neu
Chief of Police



Eric E. Tsao
Finance Director



LeRoy J. Jackson
City Manager