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Date 10-14-08

COUNCIL ACTION FORM

SUBJECT: REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENT FOR POLICE OVERTIME TO ENFORCE UNDERAGE DRINKING LAWS

BACKGROUND:

The Police Department is requesting permission to accept reimbursement for up to \$5,000 from Youth and Shelter Services. The purpose of the funding is reimbursement for officer overtime and expenses associated with up to six alcohol compliance checks and six special event enforcement activities addressing underage drinking laws. This grant is offered through the Drug Free Communities Grant Program.

The Police Department would continue underage enforcement activities and compliance checks with alcohol retailers. The officers conducting this enforcement would supplement regular Police Department staff on an overtime basis. The areas that this program would target will be selected by each Police Department shift supervisor.

No matching funds are required.

ALTERNATIVES:

1. Approve the Underage Enforcement agreement between the Police Department and Youth and Shelter Services.
2. Deny the Underage Enforcement agreement between the Police Department and Youth and Shelter Services.

MANAGER'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:

These funds will supplement the existing efforts to combat alcohol related problems for the citizens of Ames.

Therefore, it is the recommendation of the City Manager that the City Council adopt Alternative No. 1, thereby approving the Underage Enforcement agreement between the Police Department and Youth and Shelter Services.