

ITEM #: 12
DATE: 09-13-11

COUNCIL ACTION FORM

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

BACKGROUND:

With City Council approval, in October of 2008 the Police Department entered into an agreement with Youth and Shelter Services (YSS) under which YSS reimbursed the Police Department for officer overtime and other expenses related to enforcement of underage drinking laws. Under the agreement, the Police Department conducted compliance checks and special enforcement activities that specifically addressed underage drinking.

The original program went well and the agreement was renewed for additional 12 month periods in both 2009 and 2010. The Police Department is now requesting permission to renew that agreement with YSS for a fourth year under the similar terms and conditions.

The grant is part of the Drug Free Communities Grant Program. The maximum reimbursement for the year would be \$6,000. There is no local match required from the City with this grant.

If approved, the Police Department will continue to carry out enforcement activities and compliance checks related to underage drinking with alcohol retailers. The officers conducting this enforcement will supplement regular Police Department staff on an overtime basis. Areas targeted by this program will be selected by each Police shift supervisor.

ALTERNATIVES:

1. Approve the Underage Enforcement agreement between the Police Department and Youth and Shelter Services.
2. Do not approve the Underage Enforcement agreement.

MANAGER'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:

These funds will supplement the Police Department's existing efforts to combat alcohol problems in the City. The Police Department has a record of successfully implementing this program.

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.