

MEMORANDUM

To: Mayor and City Councilmembers

From: Curtis Holt, City Manager

Date: December 9, 2010

Re: Council Work Session

The City Council has agreed to hold a work session Monday, December 13, 2010 at City Hall in the Council Chambers, at 7:00 P.M. The agenda will be as follows:

1. Public Comment on Agenda Items (3 minute limit per person)
2. City of Wyoming Rental Inspection Program – Presented by Clay Powell, Director of the Rental Property Owners Association of Kent County
3. Sunday Morning Alcohol Sales
4. Tree Program Update
5. COPS Funding
6. Any Other Matters
7. Acknowledgement of Visitors/Public Comment (3 minute limit per person)

The City Clerk has posted the appropriate notice.

CLH:lj

JENNIFER M. GRANHOLM
GOVERNOR



STATE OF MICHIGAN
LIQUOR CONTROL COMMISSION
DEPARTMENT OF LABOR & ECONOMIC GROWTH
ANDREW S. LEVIN, ACTING DIRECTOR

NIDA R. SAMONA
CHAIRPERSON

December 1, 2010

Dear Clerk:

This letter is in reference to the recent action taken by the Legislature that amended Section 1111 and Section 1113 of the Michigan Liquor Control Code of 1998, being MCL 436.2111 and MCL 436.2113. These amendments allow for the sale of spirits, mixed spirit drink and beer and wine between the hours of 7:00 a.m. on Sunday and 2:00 a.m. on Monday.

MCL 436.2111 allows for the sale of beer and wine between the hours of 7:00 a.m. on Sunday and 2:00 a.m. on Monday unless the local legislative body has prohibited such sales.

MCL 436.2113 allows for the sale of spirit and mixed spirit drink between the hours of 7:00 a.m. on Sunday and 2:00 a.m. on Monday, unless the legislative body of a county or the local legislative body has prohibited such sales.

If your governmental unit or county chooses to prohibit the sale of spirits, mixed spirit drink and/or beer and wine between the hours of 7:00 a.m. on Sunday and 2:00 a.m. on Monday, please submit your resolution or ordinance prohibiting such sales to this office by 5:00 p.m. on December 15, 2010. If we do not receive a response from you by this deadline, we will assume that you currently have no resolution or ordinance that would prohibit the sale of alcoholic liquor between the hours of 7:00 a.m. on Sunday and 2:00 a.m. on Monday. You do retain the right in the future to prohibit Sunday Sales.

Unless we hear from you concerning this matter, it is our intent to begin issuing the early morning Sunday Sales Permits to our licensee's on December 16, 2010 in those governmental units that currently authorize Sunday Sales.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please feel free to contact this office at (517) 322-1400 or toll free at 1-866-813-0011.

Very truly yours,

MICHIGAN LIQUOR CONTROL COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Sharon Martin".

Sharon Martin, Director
Licensing Division

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Interdepartmental Correspondence

TO: Curtis Holt - City Manager
FROM: Chief James E. Carmody
DATE: December 9, 2010
SUBJECT: COPS Grant Request for Approval



Administration

Curtis;

In 2009, the Wyoming Police Department submitted a grant request through the Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) federal funding program. The original grant, part of the Federal stimulus dollars offered police department's the opportunity to either prevent the lay offs of police personnel, or hire back some officers who had already been laid off. As opposed to previous COPS grants, which required a 25% local match, the new grants provided funds to cover 100% of the wages of the additional officers to be hired.

We initially applied for six additional positions but the applications were submitted before the closure of the GM plant in Wyoming, and the additional loss of six (6) police positions through attrition. Unfortunately, we were denied the grant because we did not meet the financial hardship threshold, established by the grant committee. However, we were advised that our grant would remain on hold and would be considered if additional funds became available.

Earlier this year, we were notified that our grant was being reconsidered, and we were allowed to make amendments to the grant request, to address any significant local economic changes that had occurred. Needless to say, we were now well qualified.

In late September, we received an award notice through the COPS program for \$1.2 million. The grant funds will cover 100% of the base wage costs for four (4) additional officers. But, there are two conditions that must be met. The first is that the City must guarantee the funding for one (1) year after the grant expires, and the second condition requires that the Department's authorized strength not fall below 82 sworn officers through the life of the grant. One other feature of the award is the requirement that the agency must assign an equal number of officers to community policing assignments, as the grant allows the department to hire. In this case, that would be four (4) officers.

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Yes, these terms are absolutely synonymous. The constant reductions in available police patrols have had a negative effect on our ability to maintain our relationships with our citizens. That is an unfortunate consequence that we will be paying for, for a long time. As our community becomes more diverse, we need to be reaching out more to that segment of our population who seem to fear us the most. However, modern policing is swinging in a direction that is reminiscent of the 1970's, reactive policing.

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During the millage discussions, we made it clear that we would cap our current sworn officers at 82. However, this is a perfect opportunity for us to try to regain, even for a couple of years, what we have lost in community outreach. Therefore, I propose the following:

- Accept the grant. This must be completed no later than December 30, 2010
- Hire four (4) additional officers in February or March, after the current four new officers have completed their field training. That would take our total number of sworn officers, up to 87.
- Implement two (2) new investigative positions for the Detective Bureau. These investigators will handle all of the juvenile complaints. The investigators will also coordinate with the School Resource Officers on current issues receiving wide spread public concern, such as truancy, bullying and gang violence. These officers will work with other community service programs such as the Team 21 after school program, WIA and programs offered by the County's juvenile probation program.
- Implement two (2) Community Liaison Officers. These officers would take over the responsibilities of rebuilding our neighborhood watch and business group programs. These officers will also begin to build programs for the senior citizens in our community, who so often fall victim to scams and fraud crimes. These two officers will also maintain our citizen's academy each year, and they would be tasked to create and implement a "New American" academy for our documented residents as an introduction our criminal justice system.

Chief James E. Carmody

cc: Capt. Schutter
Capt. Koster



U.S. Department of Justice
Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS)

Office of the Director
1100 Vermont Avenue, N.W.
Washington, DC 20530

September 30, 2010

Chief of Police James Carmody
Wyoming Police Department
2300 De Hoop Avenue Southwest
Wyoming, MI 49509

Re: COPS Hiring Program Grant # 2010UMWX0158
ORI#: MI41834

Dear Chief of Police Carmody:

Once again, I would like to congratulate you on receiving a COPS Hiring Program (CHP) award. Your award is for 4 officer positions and \$1,216,008 in federal funds over a three-year grant period. Your agency may now begin hiring or rehiring officers to fill CHP grant-funded positions.

Enclosed in this package is your grant award. **The Award Document must be signed and returned to the COPS Office within 90 days of the date of this letter to officially accept your grant.** The Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) document included in this package should be helpful in answering any questions you may have about accepting your award, or requesting additional time to do so. Beginning on the reverse side of your Award Document, you will find a total of two pages of CHP Grant Terms and Conditions. You should read and familiarize yourself with all 16 terms and conditions that apply to your CHP award.

A supplemental online award package for CHP grantees can be found at <http://www.cops.usdoj.gov/Default.asp?Item=2367>. We strongly encourage you to visit this site immediately to access a variety of important and helpful documents associated with your award, including the CHP Grant Owner's Manual, which specifies the terms, conditions, and requirements of your grant. Also, within a few weeks you should receive an important package from the Office of the Chief Financial Officer, Office of Justice Programs, which will contain the forms and instructions necessary to begin drawing down funds for your grant.

As mentioned at the time of announcement, each CHP application was subject to a thorough review, and some of your application information may have been updated or corrected from the original version submitted to COPS. If you have not yet done so, please access your application at <https://www.cops.usdoj.gov>, and print and maintain a final copy for your records (if you are unable to print a copy of your application, please contact the COPS Office at 800.421.6770).

The Financial Clearance Memorandum (FCM) and Final Funding Memorandum (FFM) included in this package reflect allowable costs and amounts under your award. The FCM specifies the amount of COPS Hiring Program funds awarded to your agency for officer salaries and approved benefits, while the FFM contains the final officer salary and fringe benefit categories and amounts for which your agency was approved. The Final Funding Memorandum also includes the specific hiring

category(ies) awarded under your CHP grant. Please review both documents carefully, as your agency may only be reimbursed for the amounts and approved cost categories indicated.

As a reminder, under CHP all positions awarded (or an equal number of veteran officers) must initiate or enhance community policing in accordance with the community policing plan as described within Section 6 of your application. If for any reason your agency finds that your community policing plans have significantly changed from those outlined in your application (e.g., because you received fewer officers than originally requested and thus must alter the scope of your community policing plans), please revise the plan accordingly and submit it to the COPS Office for review and approval. You should also contact the COPS Office if, for any reason, you need to modify your grant award. This includes any reallocation of your awarded positions across the three primary hiring categories (i.e., new hires, rehires of officers laid off pre-application, and rehires of officers laid off or scheduled to be laid off post-application).

Finally, please remember that grantees must retain all sworn officer positions awarded under the CHP grant for a minimum of 12 months following the 36-month federal funding period. The retained CHP-funded position(s) should be added to your law enforcement budget with state and/or local funds, over and above the number of locally-funded positions that would have existed in the absence of the grant. In your CHP grant application, your agency was required to affirm that it plans to retain the additional officer positions awarded following the expiration of the grant, and to identify the planned sources of retention funding. If, during the life of the grant, you have questions regarding the retention requirement or your retention funding sources, please contact the COPS Office for assistance.

Once again, congratulations on your CHP award. If you have any questions about your grant, please do not hesitate to call the COPS Office Response Center at 800.421.6770.

Sincerely,



Bernard K. Melekian
Director