TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Christine Tien, Deputy City Manager

SUBJECT: JUVENILE ACCOUNTABILITY BLOCK GRANT APPLICATION

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council adopt a resolution authorizing the City Manager to: 1) submit a $200,000 grant application to the State of California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation Corrections Standards Authority, 2) if selected, authorize the City Manager to accept the grant award, 3) approve the required $22,000 match and 4) make all necessary appropriations and authorize the City Manager to execute all grant award documents as mandated under the Juvenile Accountability Block grant program.

Summary

The State of California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation announced on November 10, 2008 the availability of funds for short-term projects with gang intervention strategies. Applicants must apply for a minimum of $200,000 and provide a ten percent cash match in addition to the requested grant funds. Grant funds must focus on gang intervention or consist of strategies targeting gang activity or involvement by youth under 18 years of age.

DISCUSSION

Background

The City of Stockton has been receiving Juvenile Accountability Block Grant funds for the past several years and the grant has been used to partially fund salaries and benefits of the Youth Outreach Workers (Peacekeepers). The City's allocation has been reduced over the last few years because of decreasing funding allocations. This grant opportunity is available due to the redistribution of previously allocated awards that were not spent within the specified grant period.

Present Situation

On November 10, 2008 the State of California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation announced the immediate availability of approximately $855,000 in Juvenile Accountability Block Grant funds. If unused, these funds revert back to the federal government rather than directly benefiting Californians. All funds must be encumbered no later than June 30, 2009 and liquidated by September 29, 2009. As a
result, applications will only be considered if they clearly demonstrate an ability to meet the desired objectives within the compressed timeline.

The grant application will be written to further the efforts of the City of Stockton’s Operation Peacekeeper program. Use of these funds will include a comprehensive approach involving a partnership among local justice agencies to enhance existing programs with the goal of preventing gang activity or involvement by youth under 18 years of age.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

The calculated cash match for the City of Stockton allocation for the Juvenile Accountability Block Grant is $22,000. The Financial Management Department has established account number 020-6252 for this grant program. It is recommended that the City Council approve the City of Stockton’s cash match of $22,000 from the City Manager’s Office – Existing General Fund Budget. In addition, the City Manager is requested to make the following appropriations for the grant match amount of $22,000 for a total program amount of $222,000.

REVENUE:  
020-6277-331 Juvenile Accountability Block Grant (JABG) FY 08-09 $200,000

EXPENDITURE:  
020-6277-530 Juvenile Accountability Block Grant (JABG) FY 08-09 $200,000

FROM:  
010-1221-530 City Manager’s Office – Peace Keepers $22,000

TO:  
020-6277-492 Juvenile Accountability Block Grant (JABG) FY 08-09 $22,000

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Respectfully submitted,

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DEPUTY CITY MANAGER

APPROVED

J. GORDON PALMER, JR.  
CITY MANAGER
RESOLUTION APPROVING THE SUBMITTAL OF A $200,000 GRANT APPLICATION TO THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION CORRECTIONS STANDARDS AUTHORITY AND AUTHORIZING APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS AND EXECUTION OF DOCUMENTS

On November 10, 2008, the State of California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation announced the immediate availability of approximately $855,000 in Juvenile Accountability Block Grant funds. If unused, these funds revert back to the federal government rather than directly benefitting Californians. This requires all funds be encumbered no later than June 30, 2009, and liquidated by September 29, 2009.

In response to this grant announcement and as mandated by the granting agency, a resolution must be included in the grant application package which is due December 3, 2008. The grant request will be used to further the efforts of the City of Stockton's Operation Peacekeeper Program with a focus on activities directly linked to gang intervention; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF STOCKTON, AS FOLLOWS:

1. That the City Manager is hereby authorized to submit a $200,000 grant application to State of California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation Corrections Standards Authority.

2. That if the City is selected to receive grant funds, the City Manager is authorized to accept the grant award of $200,000 and approve the required $22,000 in matching funding from the City Manager's Office—Existing General Fund Budget Account No. 010-1221-530.
3. That the City Manager is hereby authorized to execute all documents, on behalf of the City of Stockton with the granting agency; provide additional information and furnish such documents as may be required.

4. That upon receipt of the fully executed Grant Award Agreement, the City Manager is hereby authorized to make any and all appropriations, transfers of funds, or expenditures as necessary to carry out the purpose and intent of this Resolution, using Expenditure Account No. 020-6277-530 and Revenue Account No. 020-6277-331.

PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED _________________.

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EDWARD J. CHAVEZ, Mayor
of the City of Stockton

ATTEST:

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KATHERINE GONG MEISSNER
City Clerk of the City of Stockton