

Tuesday, October 01, 2002

Honorable Mayor and Members of  
The Hermosa Beach City Council

Regular meeting of  
October 8, 2002

**REQUEST TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR A CALIFORNIA OFFICE  
OF TRAFFIC SAFETY GRANT AND TO AUTHORIZE THE PURCHASE  
OF A MESSAGE/RADAR TRAILER FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT**

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends that City Council:

1. Appropriate \$72,750.00 for a grant awarded to the City by the California Office of Traffic Safety. Authorize a budgeted revenue amount of \$72,750.00 for reimbursed expenditures associated with this grant.
2. Authorize the purchase of a SunRay Street Machine Radar/Message Trailer from U.S Traffic Corporation of Santa Fe Springs, California in the amount of \$17,428.25 (includes tax).

**BACKGROUND:**

On October 1, 2002 the City of Hermosa Beach was awarded a grant in the amount of \$72,750.00 through the California Office of Traffic Safety.

**ANALYSIS:**

The purpose of the grant funds are to address traffic safety issues such as drunk driving, seat belt use, pedestrian safety, bicycle safety and a portion of the grant will augment the "Be Street Smart Hermosa" safety program. The funds will be spent on overtime costs of directed enforcement programs and equipment associated with traffic safety. This is the type of grant program where the City will pay for the costs up front and seek reimbursement through the grant.

One of the pieces of equipment specified in the grant is the purchase of a SunRay Street Machine message/radar trailer. U.S. Traffic Corporation of Santa Fe Springs, California has sold this piece of equipment to another municipality. The City of El Cajon, California conducted a RFP (request for proposal) for this trailer. U.S Traffic Corporation was awarded the bid to provide a SunRay Street Machine to El Cajon. (P.O. Number 85483, May 15, 2002) U.S. Traffic Corporation is willing to sell us this trailer for the same price as sold to El Cajon. City rules allow such a purchase arrangement if the purchase "piggy-backs" on an existing government contract.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

Under the terms of this traffic safety grant, the City pays out the initial costs of the items outlined in the grant. The City is then reimbursed for these expenditures.

Respectfully submitted:

Concur:

Michael Lavin  
Chief of Police

Stephen Burrell  
City Manager

Fiscal Impact:

Viki Copeland, Finance Director