

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, APPROPRIATING FUNDING AND APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER, OR HIS DESIGNEE, TO APPLY FOR AND ACCEPT FUNDING (INCLUDING MATCHING FUNDS AND ANY RELATED CITY EXPENSES), FROM THE U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, OFFICE OF JUSTICE PROGRAMS, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2024 EDWARD BYRNE MEMORIAL JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT (JAG) PROGRAM, IN THE APPROXIMATE AMOUNT OF \$65,000; AND FURTHER AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER, OR HIS DESIGNEE, TO EXECUTE ANY AND ALL DOCUMENTS OR AGREEMENTS IN CONNECTION WITH THE GRANT APPLICATION.

WHEREAS, the Administration applies for grants and external funding from outside organizations; and

WHEREAS, the Administration requests approval to apply for a grant in the approximate amount of \$65,000 from U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, for the Fiscal Year 2024 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant ("JAG") Program, the details of which are as follows:

- The Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program is the primary provider of federal criminal justice funding to state and local jurisdictions, providing states and units of local governments with critical funding necessary to support a range of program areas. JAG funds may be used for local initiatives such as additional personnel, equipment, supplies, contractual support, training, technical assistance and information systems for criminal justice, including any one or more of the following: Law enforcement programs; Prosecution and court programs; Prevention and education programs; Corrections and community corrections programs; Drug treatment and enforcement programs; Planning, evaluation, and technology improvement programs; Crime victim and witness programs (other than compensation); Mental health programs and related law enforcement and corrections programs.
- As such, the purpose of this agenda item is to make information regarding the Fiscal Year 2024 JAG application available to the public. In addition to this agenda item, information regarding this grant and the grant application are available on the City's website at: <https://www.miamibeachfl.gov/city-hall/finance/grants-management/>. The website also provides an opportunity for comment.
- The MBPD intends to use the awarded funding to purchase a mobile surveillance trailer that would enable the Department to:
 - Rapidly deploy to events/locations to monitor public safety concerns.
 - Deter criminal behavior through the presence of the surveillance trailer.

- Remote monitoring capabilities allow more efficient use of resources. Live and recorded footage can be monitored from a centralized location, allowing sworn officers to be assigned to other duties.
- Obtain high quality video evidence essential for criminal apprehension and prosecution.
- Deploy for extended periods of time, if needed, due to the self-sufficient and regenerative solar charging power system.
- Flexibility to deploy as needed to many different locations, saving significant costs to the city of installing permanently mounted equipment.
- Multi-functional platform. Although the prime usage will be for live monitoring and investigations via use of the cameras, the trailer can also accept accessories such as lighting and public address (PA) audio systems, thus providing customization based on the specific public safety needs of each deployment.

WHEREAS, this equipment, with its proposed applications, is aligned with authorized usage of JAG award funds and the JAG's violent crime reduction area of emphasis, the MBPD is consequently requesting JAG funding to purchase a portable, battery-powered, solar charging, trailer designed for multi-functional public safety needs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT DULY RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, that the Mayor and City Commission hereby approve and authorize the City Manager, or his designee, to apply for and accept funding, execute any and all documents or agreements, and appropriate funding received by the City of Miami Beach in connection with a grant from the U. S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, for the Fiscal Year 2024 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant ("JAG") Program, in the approximate amount of \$64,153; and further authorize the City Manager, or her designee, to execute any and all documents or agreements in connection with the grant application.

PASSED and **ADOPTED** this _____ day of _____, 2024.

ATTEST:

Rafael E. Granado, City Clerk

Steven Meiner, Mayor

APPROVED AS TO
FORM & LANGUAGE
& FOR EXECUTION

City Attorney *DL* 11/7/2024
Date