



Legislation Text

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TO: Mayor Richard C. Irvin

FROM: Lt. Bill Rowley, Aurora Police Department

DATE: 10/19/23

SUBJECT:

A Resolution authorizing the City to accept a grant award of \$85,630.00 from the Illinois Attorney General's Office as part of the Attorney General's Organized Retail Crime Grant Program.

PURPOSE:

To obtain City Council approval of a grant to be used to enhance the Aurora Police Department in the detection, investigation, and reduction of organized retail crimes within Aurora..

BACKGROUND:

The Aurora Police Department has a longstanding commitment to the reduction of retail crime in Aurora. Aurora is privileged to include many retail mercantile establishments, including the Chicago Premium Outlets, which provides retail services to the greater Aurora area.

The Chicago Premium Outlets shopping mall is one of the largest concentration of retail stores in Aurora, and draws shoppers from all over the region. The Premium Outlet mall also draws those who would take advantage the abundance of retail stores and its easy access to a regional tollway as a convenient place to commit retail crimes.

The Aurora Police Department received a grant from the Illinois Attorney General's office under the Attorney General's Organized Retail Crime Program and intends to use this funding to fight retail crime in and around the Chicago Premium Outlets.

DISCUSSION:

This grant will provide \$85,630.00 over a 12-month period from July 1, 2023 through July 1, 2024 and is intended to pay for license plate reader cameras and overtime for the Aurora Police Department as it conducts regular details in the area of the Chicago Premium Outlets.

The Grant Revenue will be placed in account 101-3536-334.30-02. Expenses will be made following the City's Purchasing Policies and funded through account 101-3536-421.50-50.

There will be no supplantation or comingling of operational and grant award funds in support of this organized retail crime reduction program.

IMPACT STATEMENT:

This resolution must be approved and signed to properly execute the agreement and to begin implementing the project.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

Request approval of a Resolution to accept a grant award of \$85,630.00 from the Illinois Attorney General's Office as part of the Attorney General's Organized Retail Crime Grant Program

cc: Finance Committee



CITY OF AURORA, ILLINOIS

RESOLUTION NO. _____
DATE OF PASSAGE _____

A Resolution authorizing the City to accept a grant award of \$85,630.00 from the Illinois Attorney General's Office as part of the Attorney General's Organized Retail Crime Grant Program.

WHEREAS, the City of Aurora has a population of more than 25,000 persons and is, therefore, a home rule unit under subsection (a) of Section 6 of Article VII of the Illinois Constitution of 1970; and

WHEREAS, subject to said Section, a home rule unit may exercise any power and perform any function pertaining to its government and affairs for the protection of the public health, safety, morals, and welfare; and

WHEREAS, the Aurora Police Department has a longstanding commitment to the reduction of retail crime in Aurora; and

WHEREAS, the Aurora Police Department received a grant from the Illinois Attorney General's office under the Attorney General's Organized Retail Crime Program; and

WHEREAS, this grant will provide \$85,630.00 over a 12-month period from July 1, 2023 through July 1, 2024 and is intended to pay for license plate reader cameras and overtime for the Aurora Police Department; and

WHEREAS, The Grant Revenue will be placed in account 101-3536-334.30-02. Expenses will be made following the City's Purchasing Policies and funded through account 101-3536-421.50-50; and

WHEREAS, there will be no supplantation or comingling of operational and grant award funds in support of this organized retail crime reduction program)

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Aurora, Illinois, as follows: the City is authorized to accept a grant award of \$85,630.00 from the Illinois Attorney General's Office

as part of the Attorney General's Organized Retail Crime Grant Program.