

COUNCIL

REPORT

DATE: September 9, 2025

CATEGORY: Consent

DEPT.: Police

TITLE: Alcoholic Beverage Control Grant –

Acceptance

RECOMMENDATION

 Adopt a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Mountain View Accepting an Alcoholic Beverage Control Alcohol Policing Partnership Grant from the State of California in the Amount of Fifty One Thousand Four Hundred Sixty Four Dollars (\$51,464) to Develop a Strategic Approach to Eliminating the Crime and Public Nuisance Problems Associated with Problematic Alcoholic Beverage Outlets and Authorizing the City Manager or Their Designee to Take All Steps Necessary to Receive the Grant Funds, to be read in title only, further reading waived (Attachment 1 to the Council report).

BACKGROUND

The California Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) administers grant funding to local law enforcement agencies to reduce alcohol-related harm in their communities. The program provides resources to support enforcement of alcohol laws and compliance checks, with the goal of reducing underage drinking, over-service, and alcohol-related public safety issues.

In an effort to reduce alcohol related harm, the Police Department seeks to utilize grant funding to conduct enforcement operations and inspections. The grant award to the City for the Fiscal Year 2026 is \$51,464 and will be paid as a reimbursement to the City for associated expenses as described in the Analysis section below.

ANALYSIS

Police Department report data between January 1, 2022, and August 14, 2025 shows 476 reported incidents in the downtown area of Mountain View involving the following National Incident-Based Reporting System (NIBRS) offense codes only. The most frequent offenses during this period were assault offenses (NIBRS Codes 13A–13C) with 178 incidents and disorderly conduct (NIBRS Code 90C) with 126 incidents. Other notable offenses included drug/narcotic violations (NIBRS Codes 35A–35B) with 55 incidents, driving under the influence (NIBRS Code 90D) with 33 incidents, and trespassing (NIBRS Code 90J) with 31 incidents. Less frequent but still

significant categories included weapon law violations (NIBRS Code 520) with 17 incidents, sex offenses—forcible (NIBRS Codes 11A—11D) with 13 incidents, robbery (NIBRS Code 120) with 10 incidents, kidnapping/abduction (NIBRS Code 100) with 7 incidents, pickpocket/purse snatch (NIBRS Code 23a-23b) with 4 incidents, and liquor law violations (NIBRS Code 90G) with 2 incidents. These incidents led to 327 arrests. The data suggests that alcohol-related activity, particularly disorderly conduct, DUI, and liquor law violations, remains a recurring issue in the downtown area.

The Police Department has made it a priority to conduct targeted operations such as minor decoy programs, shoulder tap operations, and licensee inspections. This funding will support personnel overtime, and operational supplies necessary to implement the program.

FISCAL IMPACT

For Fiscal Year 2025-26, the City is eligible to receive up to \$51,464 from the Alcoholic Beverage Control Alcohol Policing Partnership Grant Program. These grant funds will support the Police Department's efforts to strengthen enforcement activities and reduce crime and public nuisance issues associated with problematic alcoholic beverage outlets throughout the City.

The City will be reimbursed for all eligible costs incurred under this grant, up to \$51,464. The City is not required to provide any matching funds, nor is the City required to provide funding for the continuation of the program at the conclusion of the grant. No budget appropriation is required at this time.

LEVINE ACT

California Government Code Section 84308 (also known as the Levine Act) prohibits city officials from participating in any proceeding involving a "license, permit, or other entitlement for use" if the official has received a campaign contribution exceeding \$500 from a party, participant, or agent of a party or participant within the last 12 months. The Levine Act is intended to prevent financial influence on decisions that affect specific, identifiable persons or participants. For more

information, see the Fair Political Practices Commission website: www.fppc.ca.gov/learn/pay-to-play-limits-and-prohibitions.html

Please see below for information about whether the recommended action for this agenda item is subject to or exempt from the Levine Act.

EXEMPT FROM THE LEVINE ACT

☑ Contract between two or more state or local government agencies

ALTERNATIVES

- 1. Direct that the Alcoholic Beverage Control Alcohol Policing Partnership Grant Program funds not be accepted.
- 2. Provide other direction.

PUBLIC NOTICING

Agenda posting.

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Attachments: 1. Resolution

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