



# COUNCIL REPORT

**DATE:** June 23, 2026

**CATEGORY:** Consent

**DEPT.:** Police

**TITLE:** **Acceptance and Appropriation of up to \$498,397.20 California Highway Patrol Cannabis Tax Fund Grant**

## **RECOMMENDATION**

Adopt a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Mountain View Authorizing the Acceptance and Appropriation of a Cannabis Tax Fund Grant from the State of California in an Amount up to Four Hundred Ninety-Eight Thousand Three Hundred Ninety-Seven Dollars and Twenty Cents (\$498,397.20), Contingent Upon Award and Receipt of the Grant Funds, to Help Reduce, and Mitigate the Impacts of, Impaired Driving in Mountain View and Authorizing the City Manager or 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 City is committed to continually increasing traffic safety for all roadway users. In an effort to reduce the number of alcohol- and/or drug-impaired vehicle collisions in Mountain View, the Mountain View Police Department (MVPD) actively pursues and utilizes grant funds to increase focused enforcement of impaired drivers.

Established following the passage of Proposition 64 in 2016, the California Highway Patrol Cannabis Tax Fund Grant Program provides competitive grant funding to local law enforcement agencies to address impaired driving. The City is eligible to receive up to \$498,397.20 in grant funding for Fiscal Year 2026-27 to support these efforts.

## **ANALYSIS**

Based on MVPD collision data, there were 363 reported vehicle traffic collisions on Mountain View roadways in 2025. Of those collisions, 70, or approximately 19%, involved a driver impaired by alcohol, drugs, or a combination of both. During the same period, MVPD made 331 arrests for driving under the influence (DUI) or driving under the influence of drugs (DUID), including offenses involving alcohol, drugs, a combination of both, or possession of open containers of alcohol or cannabis. In January 2025, MVPD responded to a fatal traffic collision in which an

impaired driver with a blood alcohol concentration more than twice the legal limit struck and killed a pedestrian.

Reducing impaired driving and improving traffic safety remain priorities for MVPD. The Department conducts targeted enforcement of primary collision factor violations, provides public education and outreach to motorists, and deploys DUI/DUID saturation patrols. If awarded, the grant funds will support these efforts by funding personnel overtime for DUI/DUID enforcement operations and the purchase of three vehicles dedicated to traffic safety and directed enforcement activities.

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

Approval of the recommended action will appropriate up to \$498,397.20 in California Highway Patrol Cannabis Tax Fund Grant Program funds, contingent upon receipt of the grant award. The grant funds will support MVPD efforts to reduce and mitigate the impacts of impaired driving through enhanced enforcement, training, equipment, and related traffic safety activities.

The grant is fully funded by the State and does not require a local match. Acceptance of the grant does not obligate the City to provide ongoing funding or continue the program beyond the grant term.

### **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](http://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**

The City Council could direct that the California Highway Patrol Cannabis Tax Fund Grant Program funds not be accepted.

**PUBLIC NOTICING**—Agenda posting.

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Attachment: 1. Resolution