

GRANT ACCEPTANCE RESOLUTION #21 OF 2022

ACCEPTING FUNDING FROM THE US DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE FOR A BODY-WORN CAMERA POLICY AND IMPLEMENTATION PROGRAM

By Councilor Cuddy

February 3, 2022

WHEREAS, the City of Auburn Police Department is an agency committed to improving law enforcement interactions with the public by advancing work that increases access to justice, supports crime victims and protects the public from crime and evolving threats; and

WHEREAS, in July 2021 the City of Auburn submitted an application to the US Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance (US DOJ BJA) for funding assistance to acquire 60 Body-Worn Cameras and to implement a Body-Worn Camera policy and program to support law enforcement in the City of Auburn; and

WHEREAS, on December 17, 2021, the US DOJ BJA notified the City of Auburn of an Body-Worn Camera Policy and Implementation Program grant award in the sum of \$120,000 with a required local match amount of \$120,000; and

WHEREAS, post-award the US DOJ BJA has determined that awardees may not utilize US Department of Treasury American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding as an eligible source of local cash match for the Body-Worn Camera Policy and Implementation Program; and

WHEREAS, based upon this post-award notification the Auburn Police Department has identified allowable expenses to include in-kind personnel and fringe benefit costs that will be incurred as part of the program development and implementation as well as local cash in a combined amount up to \$120,000 over the period of the grant program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Auburn hereby accepts the FY 2021 Body-Worn Camera Policy and Implementation Program Grant from the US Department of Justice Bureau of Justice Assistance in the amount of \$120,000 and authorizes an allowable local in-kind and cash match of \$120,000; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Comptroller is authorized to create a capital project account and recognize grant revenues from the US Department of Justice in the amount of \$120,000; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

Seconded by Councilor Kent

	Ayes	Noes	Excused
Councilor Kent	X		
Councilor Giannettino			X
Councilor Cuddy	X		
Councilor Locastro	X		
Mayor Quill	X		
Carried and Adopted	X		

STATE OF NEW YORK)
) SS.:
 COUNTY OF CAYUGA)

I, CHARLES MASON, Clerk of the City of Auburn, Cayuga County, New York (the “City”), DO HEREBY CERTIFY:

That I have compared the annexed abstract of the minutes of the meeting of the Council of the City (the “Council”), held on the 3rd day of February, 2022, including the Resolution #21 of 2022 contained therein, with the original thereof on file in my office, and the attached is a true and correct copy of said original and of the whole of said original so far as the same relates to the subject matters therein referred to.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the City this 3rd day of February, 2022.



Charles Mason, Clerk
 City of Auburn, Cayuga County, New York

COUNCIL MEMORANDUM

Memorial City Hall
24 South Street
Auburn, New York 13021

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of City Council

FROM: Christina J. Selvek, Dir. of Capital Projects & Grants

DATE: February 3, 2022

SUBJECT: Grant Acceptance Resolution #21 Accepting Funding from US DOJ BJA for Body Worn Camera Program

BACKGROUND:

The City of Auburn submitted an application for funding assistance to the US Department of Justice (DOJ), Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) under the FY 2021 Body-Worn Camera Policy and Implementation Program for the support of law enforcement agencies on July 26, 2021.

On December 17, 2021, the City of Auburn received notification of a BJA FY 2021 Body-Worn Camera Policy and Implementation Program grant from US DOJ BJA in the amount of \$120,000. Post award, DOJ notified the City that US Department of Treasury American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding allocated to the City of Auburn through the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (CSLFRF) program are not an eligible source of local cash match for the BWC grant program.

Therefore, in order to finalize the grant budget with US DOJ BJA, the City needs to identify an eligible local source of cash or in-kind match. Allowable in-kind expenses would include staff-time needed to support the BWC policy development and program, costs of developing training and BWC usage training, and related technology costs. At this time, the City Police Department has identified in-kind personnel and fringe benefits as an eligible match source as well as local cash that may be needed to reach the required 1:1 match of \$120,000.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATION:

This Resolution would authorize the City to accept \$120,000 from US DOJ BJA to establish a BWC Policy and Implementation Program at the Auburn Police Department. These federal grant funds require a local match amount of \$120,000 that will consist of in-kind personnel and fringe benefit costs and cash match over the grant budget period ending November 30, 2024.