RESOLUTION NO. 68-21

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE APPLICATION FOR A GRAY & BLACK MARKET MARIJUANA ENFORCEMENT GRANT FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL AFFAIRS

Recitals:

City Council has considered and for the reasons stated, authorizes an application for a grant to provide financial assistance to the Grand Junction Police Department for the enforcement of gray and black market marijuana.

GJPD has been awarded this grant numerous times and would like to apply for the Gray and Black Market Marijuana Enforcement grant for the current cycle, which requires assurance of community priority. Applications cannot be submitted unless approved by the city council.

The Colorado Department of Local Affairs has total funding of \$900,000 available (including program operations.) Although it is unknown at this time how much of the total \$9,000,000 the City would be awarded, the fiscal impact of this grant will allow for personnel/overtime costs, equipment & supplies, travel, medical expenses related to injury or exposure during a marijuana investigation, and the purchase of information or evidence to be reimbursed to the City of Grand Junction.

In the last grant period for the Gray and Black Market Marijuana Enforcement Program, City of Grand Junction Police Department was awarded \$136,950 to it as a formula calculation based off of the number of applicants and the population of City of Grand Junction. Staff estimates that this cycle will result in an approximate allocation of \$20,000 - 30,000 in formula grant award to help with the enforcement of illegal marijuana activities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION THAT:

- 1: The City Council of the City of Grand Junction strongly supports the application to DOLA to obtain funds needed to complete the Project. The City Manager is authorized and directed to work to finalize and timely submit such DOLA grant application.
- 2: If the grant is awarded, the City Council of the City of Grand Junction strongly supports the completion of the Project, and authorizes the City Manager to sign an appropriate grant agreement on behalf of the City as grantee of the DOLA grant.

This Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and adoption.

Passed and adopted this 1st day of September 2021.

Chuck McDaniel

President, Grand Junction City Council

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ATTEST:

Wanda Winkelman

City Clerk

