

CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION, COLORADO

RESOLUTION NO. 21-19

A Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Submit a Grant Request to the Department of Local Affairs for the Gray and Black Market Marijuana Enforcement Program

RECITALS.

At its March 20, 2019 meeting the City Council considered and for the reasons stated, authorizes an application for a grant to provide financial assistance to the Grand Junction Police Department for the investigation and prosecution costs associated with unlicensed marijuana cultivation or distribution operations.

This will be the second grant year that the GJPD would like to apply for the Gray and Black Market Marijuana Enforcement grant, 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 \$6,000,000 available annually (including program operations.) Although it is unknown at this time how much of the total \$6,000,000 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 had \$116,759 awarded to it as a formula calculation based off of the number of applicants and the population of City of Grand Junction. Grand Junction Police Department would estimate another \$120,000 in formula grant award to help with the enforcement of illegal marijuana activities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City Council of the City of Grand Junction supports and authorized submittal of a grant request to the Department of Local Affairs for an estimate of \$120,000 of costs related to marijuana enforcement, to be reimbursed to the City of Grand Junction, in accordance with and pursuant to the recitals stated above and authorizes the City Manager to enter into a grant agreement with DOLA if the grant is awarded.

PASSED and ADOPTED this 20th day of March, 2019



President of the City Council

ATTEST:



City Clerk

