

**TO:** James L. App, City Manager

**FROM:** Dennis J. Cassidy, Chief of Police

**SUBJ:** Budget Appropriation Transfer

**DATE:** April 20, 2004

**NEEDS:** For the City Council to consider adoption of a resolution authorizing a budget transfer to fund portable communications equipment (hand held radios), technological upgrades, and the purchase of less lethal safety equipment for the Police Department.

- FACTS:**
1. During fiscal year 2003/2004, the City received \$111,000 in State and Federal law enforcement grants for a total balance of \$250,800 in the COPS Fund 117.
  2. \$100,000 of these funds, per State/Federal requirements, was deposited into a special non-General Fund Account until such time as the specific use of the funds was determined.
  3. During fiscal year 2003/2004 approximately \$50,000 will be required; \$12,000 to purchase portable communications equipment (hand held radios), \$29,000 to install and upgrade existing technological equipment, interface existing equipment with County equipment, purchase a scanner with multiplex capabilities to interface with the existing laser fiche archiving system, and \$8,000 to purchase less lethal safety equipment.

**ANALYSIS &  
CONCLUSION:**

The Paso Robles Police Department will be replacing antiquated portable communication equipment (hand held radios) with state-of-the-art technology that will provide us the necessary components for responding to and handling calls for service. The Department currently utilizes Motorola HT 400 and HT 600 hand held radios which are no longer supported with replaceable parts or service. The HT 1250 hand held radios have X/P and technology for improved audio quality and come with a two year warranty and options for extended warranties. The HT 1250 radios have digital like features, which enhance the radio's capabilities and includes selective radio inhibit. The Police Department will also be purchasing less lethal safety equipment to enhance officers' resources when dealing with situations where the potential for violence exists. It has been proven nationally that the use of less lethal resources have ended situations where the use of deadly force has been warranted, however, by using less lethal resources most situations were brought to a successful conclusion without serious injuries to either the officer or combatant involved.

This request has been reviewed and approved by the Information Systems Manager.

**POLICY  
REFERENCE:**

None

**FISCAL  
IMPACT:**

None. The funds represent grant monies received from the State of California and Federal Government. With Council approval, the funds will be spent for their intended purpose without impact upon the General Fund.

**OPTIONS:**

- a. Adopt Resolution No. 04-xx authorizing the transfer of \$50,000 of State and Federal Grant funds from the COPS Fund No. 117-000-5899-000 to General Fund No. 100-000-4899-000; and approving a one time budget appropriation for \$50,000 to Account No. 100-210-5212-136 to upgrade the portable communications equipment (hand held radios), install technological upgrades, and purchase less lethal safety equipment for the Paso Robles Police Department.
- b. Amend, modify, or reject the above option.

RESOLUTION NO. 04-

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PASO ROBLES  
APPROVING A FUND TRANSFER AND BUDGET APPROPRIATION FOR  
THE USE OF STATE TECHNOLOGY GRANT FUNDS

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WHEREAS, the Police Department has a balance of \$250,800 in State Technology Grant funds, State COPS Grant funds and Local Law Enforcement Block Grant funds; and

WHEREAS, the Police Department has identified needed Hand Held Communications Equipment and upgrades for existing technological equipment to improve operational efficiency; and

WHEREAS, the Police Department has also identified needed less lethal safety equipment to enhance officers' resources when dealing with situations where the potential for violence exists, and

WHEREAS, use of the identified grant funds would be an appropriate use of said grant funds; and

WHEREAS, it is desirable to transfer \$50,000 of the remaining balance from COPS Fund No. 117-000-5899-000 to General Fund No. 100-000-4899-000 and provide for a budget appropriation in the amount of \$50,000 to General Fund Account No. 100-210-5212-136.

THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of El Paso de Robles that a fund transfer from the COPS Fund No. 117-000-5899-000 to General Fund No. 100-000-4899-000 in the amount of \$50,000 is authorized.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a one time budget appropriation to General Fund No. 100-210-5212-136 in the amount of \$50,000 is approved for fiscal year 2003/2004.

ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of El Paso de Robles at a regular meeting of said Council held on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of April 2004 by the following vote:

AYES:  
NOES:  
ABSTAIN:  
ABSENT:

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Frank R. Mecham, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Sharilyn M. Ryan, Deputy City Clerk