

# CITY OF MILPITAS AGENDA REPORT (AR)

Item Title:	Accept the Racing Hearts Foundation Grant and Approve a Related Budget Amendment
Category:	Consent Calendar-Public Safety
Meeting Date:	11/10/2020
Staff Contact:	Jared Hernandez, 408-586-2406
Recommendation:	Accept the Racing Hearts Foundation Grant in the amount of \$29,777.44 for the purchase of Automated External Defibrillators (AEDs) and approve a budget appropriation to the Police Department's FY 2020-21 operating budget.

## Background:

Racing Hearts is a non-profit organization based out of the San Francisco Bay Area whose mission is to raise the success rate of sudden cardiac arrest recovery by bringing awareness of and access to Automated External Defibrillators (AEDs). Racing Hearts works proactively with public and private entities to increase the number of AEDs in public places throughout the greater Bay Area. Past and current partnerships have included law enforcement, schools, and underserved / at-risk communities.

The Milpitas Police Department (MPD) currently does not outfit any patrol vehicles with AEDs. In calendar year 2019, MPD maintained an average response time to in-progress emergency calls for service of two (2) minutes and thirty-eight (38) seconds. As officers are constantly in the field and predominantly in their vehicles, the deployment of AEDs coupled with rapid response times to critical medical incidents will increase the chances of a successful outcome in sudden cardiac arrest medical calls.

The Racing Hearts Foundation's award to the Milpitas Police Department is \$29,777.44, which is the total cost of fifteen AEDs and 5 replacement pads. This Grant award is being presented to council as required by City of Milpitas Grant SOP 26-2a.

## Analysis:

The acceptance of the Racing Hearts Grant award is contingent upon purchasing AEDs and associated AED equipment. The City of Milpitas is not required to provide matching funds. The AED model selected for purchase is based on compatibility with the Milpitas Fire Department's cardiac equipment and with AED equipment in other City of Milpitas facilities. Having AEDs more readily available, such as in our police patrol vehicles, is in line with Racing Hearts' mission of increasing access to AEDs and positively impacting the successful recovery of sudden cardiac arrest incidents.

Furthermore, adding this piece of equipment to patrol vehicles expands and improves the service the Police Department (PD) in conjunction with the Fire Department provides to the community depending which public safety department arrives first on scene in response to a call for service. Having the equipment available allows an officer to initiate CPR in conjunction with an AED prior to the arrival of firefighters/paramedics in response to cardiac incidents.

## Policy Alternative:

Alternative: Refuse the Racing Hearts Foundation Grant of \$29,777.44.

Pros: There are no identified benefits to this alternative.

Cons: The Police Department would not have the opportunity to purchase needed equipment or City general funds would be required to purchase the equipment.

Reason not recommended: The Racing Hearts Foundation Grant award does not require matching funds nor are there any requirements that result in a negative impact.

#### Fiscal Impact:

The grant does not require any matching funds. Staff recommends approval of a budget appropriation of \$29,777.44 to the Police Department's FY 2020-21 operating budget offset with the receipt of grant funds. The Racing Hearts Foundation Grant award of \$29,777.44 is sufficient to purchase fifteen (15) AEDs and accessories. There are sufficient funds in the Police Department budget to maintain the equipment, which has an expected useful life between 5 to 8 years; however, future replacement may require a budget appropriation.

#### California Environmental Quality Act:

N/A

### **Recommendations:**

1) Accept the Racing Hearts Foundation Grant in the amount of \$29,777.44.

2) Approve a budget appropriation in the amount of \$29,777.44 to the Police Department's FY 2020-21 operating budget.

### Attachment:

Budget Change Form