



STAFF REPORT TO THE CITY COUNCIL

DATE: Regular Meeting of July 28, 2026

TO: Mayor and Members of the City Council

VIA: Patrick Tang, Interim City Manager

SUBMITTED BY: Chris Kim, Police Commander

SUBJECT: Acceptance of a grant award from the California Highway Patrol (CHP) Cannabis Tax Fund Grant Program

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Staff recommend the City Council adopt a resolution to accept the grant award of \$126,000 from the California Highway Patrol on behalf of the City of Hercules.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The California Highway Patrol (CHP) administers the Cannabis Tax Fund Grant Program to support enforcement efforts addressing impaired driving associated with cannabis and other controlled substances. The City applied for assistance to address these issues in our community and recently received official confirmation that our grant was approved. As a result, the California Highway Patrol has awarded the Hercules Police Department a Cannabis Tax Fund grant for \$126,000 to fund the cost of a new, fully outfitted patrol vehicle and to conduct impaired driving enforcement operations. There is no local match required for acceptance of this grant.

BACKGROUND:

The CHP Cannabis Tax Fund Grant Program focuses on a comprehensive approach to enforce, educate, and encourage compliance with impaired driving laws, with particular emphasis on drug-impaired driving. Education and enforcement are two very important components of collision reduction. The acceptance of the Cannabis grant will allow the Hercules Police Department to bolster its enforcement efforts in these areas of concern through the acquisition of a new, fully outfitted patrol vehicle and dedicated impaired driving enforcement operations.

ANALYSIS:

The grant award for \$126,000 will allow the Hercules Police Department to fund the cost of a new, fully outfitted patrol vehicle and to conduct impaired driving enforcement operations, including saturation patrols and targeted enforcement of individuals driving under the influence of cannabis and other controlled substances. These comprehensive programs have a long-lasting impact in reducing both fatal and injury collisions. Staff recommends that Council accept the CHP Cannabis Tax Fund grant in the amount of \$126,000 and authorize the use of these funds for the approved activities. No local match is required.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Acceptance of the Cannabis Tax Fund award will provide \$126,000 in funding to support our community's law enforcement services, with no local match required. It will fund the cost of a new, fully outfitted patrol vehicle and assist with the Police Department's expenditure for impaired driving enforcement operations targeting individuals driving under the influence of cannabis and other controlled substances.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Resolution designating the City Manager as the Authorizing Official to accept the CHP Cannabis Tax Fund grant on behalf of the City of Hercules .
2. CHP Cannabis Tax Fund grant Agreement.