



City Council Memorandum

To: Mayor Fasbender & City Council Members

From: Bryan D. Schafer, Chief of Police

Date: February 3, 2020

Item: COPS Grant

Council Action Requested:

Refer COPS Grant opportunity directly to the Public Safety Committee of the City Council for consideration.

Background Information:

The Hastings Police Department has an opportunity to apply for a 2020 COPS Hiring Program (CHP) grant. The 2020 COPS Hiring Program is a competitive grant program designed to advance public safety through community policing by addressing the full-time sworn officer needs of state, local, and tribal law enforcement agencies nationwide. CHP provides 75% of entry level wages and benefits up to \$125,000.00 to hire new or rehire existing career law enforcement officers and to increase their community policing capacity and crime prevention efforts. All local, state, and tribal law enforcement agencies that have primary law enforcement authority are eligible to apply. Application deadline is March 11, 2020.

Financial Impact:

Yes

Advisory Commission Discussion:

None

Council Committee Discussion:

None

Attachments:

None