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REPORT TO MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL

FROM: Steven R. Smagula, Deputy Chief

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SUBJECT: Stanton K-9 Foundation Grant – Permission to Apply

Recommendation - Through the City Manager, authorize the Police Department to apply for up to fifty-five thousand dollars (\$55,000.00) in grant funding through the Stanton K-9 Foundation grant program.

Background – The Police Department is seeking to reestablish a police K-9 patrol service dog at the Concord Police Department. This program has been dormant for the past 20 years however patrol K-9s have a long history of successful use working in law enforcement for over 100 years in the United States. Patrol K-9s are trained and used as locating tools for dedicated law enforcement handlers. Police K-9s are primarily trained to track missing people, locate evidence of crimes, detect illegal drugs, and protect their handlers.

Discussion – This grant will allow the Concord Police Department to pursue unmatched grant funding opportunities for the initial start-up and training costs associated with reinstituting a patrol service dog at the Concord Police Department.

The grant application process is open and has a rolling application period.

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