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## REPORT TO MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL

**FROM:** Deputy Chief Gregory Taylor, Police Department

**DATE:** August 28, 2015

**SUBJECT:** US Department of Homeland Security Federal Fiscal Year 2015 Homeland Security Grant Program

**Recommendation** - : Through the City Manager, authorize the Police Department to apply for grant funding through the US Department of Homeland Security Federal Fiscal Year 2015 Homeland Security Grant Program. Said funding to be utilized by the Merrimack Valley School District to provide security upgrades and enhanced access control at Merrimack Valley High School and the Merrimack Valley Middle School.

**Background** – The Merrimack Valley School District has recently completed security assessments of all of its schools in the District. Based upon these assessments, the Merrimack Valley School District desires to improve access control and school security. The Merrimack Valley School District is eligible to receive funding through the US Department of Homeland Security Federal Fiscal Year 2015 Homeland Security Grant Program to fund upgrades to access control and school security.

**Discussion** – This grant program provides funding to schools which have completed security assessments. This particular grant program requires that the application be completed in conjunction with the local law enforcement agency having jurisdiction over the schools where the grant funding will be issued. This grant application will include funding for access control and security upgrades for the Merrimack Valley High School and the Merrimack Valley Middle School. The Concord Police Department will be the primary applicant, however the project will be administered by the Merrimack Valley School District. The school district will schedule all work to be completed and will be responsible for adhering to all financial requirements of the grant. The school district will be responsible for all drawdowns of funds and also be required to meet all reporting requirements.

There is no match required of this grant by either the City of Concord or the Merrimack Valley School District. No funds will be expended by the City of Concord if this grant is approved.

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