A RESOLUTION

BY PUBLIC SAFETY AND LEGAL ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

01- R -0930

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO APPLY FOR AND ACCEPT A GRANT FROM THE U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE IN THE AMOUNT OF $480,000 FROM THE COMMUNITY GUN VIOLENCE PROSECUTION PROGRAM TO BE MATCHED WITH $120,000 FROM THE GENERAL FUND, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

WHEREAS, the U. S. Department of Justice has initiated the Community Gun Violence Prosecution Program to allocate additional resources to local prosecutors for the prosecution of gun related violent crime, and

WHEREAS, the city Solicitor 's Office would use these resources to dedicate four new prosecutors to cooperation with the U. S. Attorney's initiatives to prosecute violent crimes in conjunction with the "Face Five" program, and

WHEREAS, this initiative will pay 80% of the cost, up to $40,000 per year each for up to four prosecutors to focus on the prosecution of gun related violent crime, and

WHEREAS, matching funds in the amount of $120,000 are appropriated in the Non-Departmental section of the General Fund Budget, in fund, account and center number 1A01 761001 T31001.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA GEORGIA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1: That the Mayor is authorized to apply for and accept grant funding from the U. S. Department of Justice Community Gun Violence Prosecution Program in the amount of $480,000, to fund salary and benefit costs for four additional prosecutors to focus on gun related violent crime prosecutions.

Section 2: That the Mayor or his designee may transfer matching funds from the General Fund budget as needed to match federal funds.

Section 3: That the Mayor is hereby authorized to sign appropriate documents to apply for and accept grant funds.

Section 4: That this grant program expires in three years, at which time the City will make a good faith effort to retain the new prosecutor positions for at least one year, using local funds.

TRANSMITTAL FORM FOR LEGISLATION

To Mayor's Office: GREG PRIDGEON

(for review and distribution to Executive Management)

Commissioner Signature	Beverly Stanard	**Director Signature:**	D/C William B. Shannon
From: Originating Dept.	**POLICE**	**Contact (Name):**	**Dan Boozer 817-6782**
Committee(s) of Purview:	**PUBLIC SAFETY & LEGAL ADMINISTRATION**	**Committee Deadline:**	
Committee Meeting Date(s):		**City Council Meeting Date:**	

CAPTION:

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BACKGROUND/PURPOSE/DISCUSSION:

THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE HAS OFFERED TO SUPPORT ADDITIONAL STAFFING FOR LOCAL PROSECUTORS TO PROSECUTE VIOLENT CRIMES INVOLVING GUNS. THIS THREE YEAR PROGRAM WILL ALLOW THE CITY SOLICITOR'S OFFICE TO HIRE FOUR ADDITIONAL PROSECUTORS FOR THIS PURPOSE.

FINANCIAL IMPACT (if any):

MATCH COST OF $120,000. (ALREADY BUDGETED IN THE NON-DEPARTMENTAL SECTION OF THE GENERAL FUND BUDGET 1A01 761001 T31001).

PERSONNEL IMPACT:

FOUR NEW CITY PROSECUTORS THAT WILL NEED TO BE RETAINED FOR ONE YEAR WITH LOCAL FUNDS AFTER THE GRANT EXPIRES

Mayor's Staff Only

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Reviewed (Initials): [illegible] Date: [illegible]

Action by Committee:

____ APPROVED ____ ADVERSED ____ HELD ____ AMENDED

____ SUBSTITUTE ____ REFERRED ____ OTHER