City of Kansas City, Missouri

Docket Memo

Ordinance/Resolution #: 250435
Submitted Department/Preparer: Police
Revised 6/10/24

Docket memos are required on all ordinances initiated by a Department Director. More information can be found in Administrative Regulation (AR) 4-1.

Executive Summary

Expressing the City Council's desire that the Kansas City Police Department ("KCPD") activate steady blue cruise lights on marked police vehicles to increase visibility and deter crime.

Discussion

City Council expresses its desire that KCPD adopt a policy requiring the activation of steady blue cruise lights on marked police vehicles during routine patrols; and requests that the City Manager and the Mayor's Office Director of Public Safety engage with KCPD after the implementation of the blue cruise light policy to assess its impact and effectiveness, and that KCPD provide a report with such findings and the results of all efforts taken pursuant to this resolution to City Council during business session no later than 90 days of the passage of this resolution.

Fiscal Impact

1. Is this legislation included in the adopted budget? ☐ Yes ☒ No

2. What is the funding source?
   Funding source is to be determined.

3. How does the legislation affect the current fiscal year?
   To convert all existing KCPD vehicles over to the steady blue cruise lights, the estimated costs will be approximately $750,000. This cost includes retrofitting 2/3 of the current (pre-2019) fleet with the steady blue cruise light capability and programming the (post-2019) remaining vehicles, that have the capability, to be able to use the steady blue cruise lights.

4. Does the legislation have a fiscal impact in future fiscal years? Please notate the difference between one-time and recurring costs.

At this time, the understanding is that the costs to retrofit and program KCPD vehicles with the steady blue cruise lights is a one-time cost.

5. Does the legislation generate revenue, leverage outside funding, or deliver a return on investment?
   No

Office of Management and Budget Review
(OMB Staff will complete this section.)

1. This legislation is supported by the general fund. ☐ Yes ☒ No
2. This fund has a structural imbalance. ☐ Yes ☒ No
3. Account string has been verified/confirmed. ☐ Yes ☒ No

Additional Discussion (if needed)
Due to the original language of the resolution not including a cost estimate, the current funding source for the $750,000 is unknown at this time.

Citywide Business Plan (CWBP) Impact

1. View the Adopted 2025-2029 Citywide Business Plan
2. Which CWBP goal is most impacted by this legislation?
   Public Safety (Press tab after selecting.)
3. Which objectives are impacted by this legislation (select all that apply):

   ☒ Engage the community and community partners to reimagine the system of public safety with a focus on evidence-based approaches for crime prevention, treatment of mental health, emergency response time, and the criminal justice system.
   ☒ Focus on violence prevention among all age groups, placing an emphasis on youth.
   ☐ Increase fairness, justice, and responsiveness of our municipal criminal justice system to support the best possible outcome for offenders and victims of crime.
   ☐ Reduce recidivism through prevention, deterrence, including detention, and re-entry services.
   ☐ Enhance employee recruitment, succession planning, and retention in the police and fire departments with a continued emphasis on diversity.

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Prior Legislation

No prior legislation.

Service Level Impacts

No anticipated impacts.

Other Impacts

1. What will be the potential health impacts to any affected groups?
   The use of steady blue cruise lights aligns with public safety strategies aimed at preventing crime through environmental and psychological design.

2. How have those groups been engaged and involved in the development of this ordinance?
   N/A

3. How does this legislation contribute to a sustainable Kansas City?
   N/A

4. Does this legislation create or preserve new housing units?
   No (Press tab after selecting)

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5. Department staff certifies the submission of any application Affirmative Action Plans or Certificates of Compliance, Contractor Utilization Plans (CUPs), and Letters of Intent to Subcontract (LOIs) to CREO prior to, or simultaneously with, the legislation entry request in Legistar.

   No - CREO's review is not applicable (Press tab after selecting)
   Please provide reasoning why not:
   Click or tap here to enter text.

6. Does this legislation seek to approve a contract resulting from an Invitation for Bid?

No(Press tab after selecting)

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7. Does this legislation seek to approve a contract resulting from a Request for Proposal/Qualification (RFP/Q)?
   No(Press tab after selecting)