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CONSIDERATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF A COVERDALE NATIONAL FORENSIC SCIENCES IMPROVEMENT ACT GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,627.70 TO BE USED BY THE NORMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT FOR ACCREDITATION TRAINING FOR LABORATORY TECHNICIANS AND SUPERVISORS OF THE CITY OF NORMAN FORENSIC LABORATORY, APPROVAL OF CONTRACT NO. K-1213-91; AND BUDGET APPROPRIATION.

ACTION NEEDED: Motion to accept or reject a Coverdale National Forensic Sciences Improvement Act Grant in the amount of \$2,627.70 to be used by the Police Department; and, if accepted, approve Contract No. K-1213-91; authorize execution of the contract; increase Other Revenue/Police Grants (022-0000-334.13-43) by \$2,627.70; and appropriate \$2,627.70 to Professional Services/Seminars and Workshops (022-6011-421.46-04)(GP0021).

ACTION TAKEN: _____

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BACKGROUND: The Coverdale National Forensic Sciences Improvement Act (NFSIA) grant provides funding to crime laboratories through the Oklahoma District Attorneys Council based on population and crime statistics. The program provides funding for expenses related to facilities, personnel, equipment, computerization, supplies, accreditation, certification, and education and training.

DISCUSSION: The City of Norman has been offered funds from this grant in the amount of \$2,627.70 that does not require a match. The Norman Police Forensic Laboratory is seeking accreditation through the Forensic Quality Service, Inc. Accreditation will ensure that control of records, proficiency testing, traceability, safety and other daily laboratory operations coincide with rigorous standards and best practices. We intend to use the funds from this grant to train laboratory technicians and supervisors on how to prepare for accreditation. This training is essential and the first step for accreditation candidate agencies.

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended the Council accept the grant funds in the amounts of \$2,627.70, and deposit the funds into account # 022-0000-334.13-43, grant revenue. Funds should be appropriated into and expended from account # 022-6011-421.46-04 GP0021, seminars and workshops.