



City of Rochester

FINANCE & PUBLIC SAFETY INTRODUCTORY NIGHT 295, 296 Rochester, NY All-America City 1998

FAX (585) 428-6059 TDD/Voice 428-6054

William A. Johnson, Jr. Mayor

City Hall, Room 307-A 30 Church Street Rochester, New York 14614-1284 (585) 428-7045

July 21, 2005

Ord. NO. 2005 - 273 Ord. NO. 2005 - 274

TO THE COUNCIL

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Re: Police Recruitment Education Program (PREP) & Gunfire Detection System

R2010: Campaign 3 - Health, Safety and Responsibility

Transmitted herewith for your approval is legislation that will:

- 1. Authorize an agreement with Monroe Community College(MCC), for receipt and use of \$9,508 for participation in the Police Recruitment Education Program (PREP),
2. Amend the 2005-06 Budget to reflect the receipt and use of those funds; and
3. Authorizing an agreement with ShotSpotter, Inc. for \$367,550 for installation and maintenance of, and training for, a gunfire detection system in the City.

Police Recruitment Education Program (PREP)

The goal of PREP is to help minority students successfully compete in the RPD testing and hiring process. The program, coordinated by MCC, includes tutoring, mentoring, job readiness training, physical fitness, and retention skills. The MCC grant will pay for student physical fitness training and mentoring through RPD. 20 students have completed the first two pilot rounds; eighteen remain. This funding will enable 15 new students to participate. The grant requires no cash match.

Gunfire Detection System

City Council previously authorized acceptance of a grant of \$305,859, secured by Congresswoman Slaughter via the COPS Technology Office, to be used for a gunfire detection system. That grant is sufficient to provide five square miles of coverage. The additional funds from the 2002-03 Cash Capital allocation (\$61,191) will provide an additional square mile of coverage, providing a more effective base.

Respectfully submitted,

Signature of William A. Johnson, Jr. Mayor

EEO/ADA Employer

