

# COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

**From:** The City Manager

**Subject:** Authorization to Receive Weed and Seed Communities Competitive Program Grant

**Manager's Recommendation:**

I recommend that the City accept the Weed and Seed Communities Competitive Program Grant from the U.S. Department of Justice ("Department of Justice"). Further, it is recommended that the Manager or his designee be authorized to execute any documents required by the Department of Justice at this time and throughout the grant process.

**Justification:**

The Saginaw Police Department ("SPD") applied for a Department of Justice Weed and Seed Communities Competitive Program Grant. The SPD was notified on September 25, 2008, that the Department of Justice approved its grant application. The SPD will receive grant funding in the amount of \$175,000.00. The Department of Justice requires the City to agree to certain conditions in the use of these funds, including the designation of an authorized grantee official and the execution of grant documents. The proposed authorization will allow the City Manager to designate an authorized grantee official and for that person to sign documents related to the grant. In addition, it provides the City Manager with authorization to update the designation without requiring the matter to return to City Council for action during the pendency of the grant.

**Council Action:**

Council \_\_\_\_\_ moved that the recommendation from the City Manager be approved.