



# City of San Leandro

Meeting Date: February 17, 2015

## Staff Report

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**File Number:** 15-053 **Agenda Section:** CONSENT CALENDAR

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**TO:** City Council

**FROM:** Chris Zapata  
City Manager

**BY:** Sandra Spagnoli  
Chief of Police

**FINANCE REVIEW:** David Baum  
Finance Director

**TITLE:** Staff Report for a Resolution Offering a \$25,000 Reward for the Identification Leading to the Criminal Charging of the Individual(s) Involved in the Homicide of a San Leandro Resident on December 14, 2014 at 444 Kenilworth Ave and Approving an Appropriation of General Fund Economic Uncertainty Reserves to Fund the \$25,000 Reward

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### RECOMMENDATIONS

Staff recommends that the City Council approve the resolution authorizing a reward of \$25,000 for information leading to the identification and criminal charging of individual(s) involved in the homicide on December 14, 2014 at 444 Kenilworth Ave and that the City Council approve the appropriation of General Fund economic uncertainty reserves to fund the \$25,000 reward.

### BACKGROUND

#### Analysis

On December 14, 2014, 21 year-old Joel Ramirez of San Leandro returned to his residence at 444 Kenilworth Ave. He was shot and killed while seated in his vehicle, which was parked in the driveway of the residence. Rewards providing information leading to the identification and arrest of persons responsible for violent crimes have been offered in the past and have proven successful. This senseless act of violence that killed a San Leandro resident cannot be tolerated in our City. In order to assist the San Leandro Police Department in the successful resolution of this case, staff recommends a reward of \$25,000 for information leading to the identification and criminal charging of the individual(s) who committed this violent crime.

#### Fiscal Impacts

The proposed reward of \$25,000 will be funded through the current Fiscal Year 2014-15 budget appropriation approval from City Council in account 010-14-015-5890.

**Budget Authority**

Budget authority will be granted with the City Council approval of the appropriation of General Fund economic uncertainty reserves to fund the \$25,000 reward.

**ATTACHMENTS**

None.

**PREPARED BY:** Robert McManus, Lieutenant, Police Department



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## Resolution - Council

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WHEREAS, in a civilized society there is little that offends common decency more than the blatant act of murder. Just such an act was perpetrated in the early morning of December 14, 2014 when a 21 year-old San Leandro resident was killed while seated in his car in the driveway of his residence at 444 Kenilworth Avenue; and

WHEREAS, a City is authorized by Government Code section 53069.5 to offer and pay a reward for information leading to the determination of the identity of, and the apprehension of, any person whose willful misconduct results in injury or death to any person or who willfully damages or destroys any property.

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of San Leandro does RESOLVE as follows:

1. The City Council of the City of San Leandro and the City of San Leandro hereby offer to pay a reward in the amount of \$25,000 to any person(s) who provides information leading to the determination of the identity of, the apprehension of, and the criminal charging of any person(s) whose willful misconduct resulted in the homicide of Joel Ramirez, a San Leandro resident, on December 14, 2014. The reward will be paid upon verification that a factual report was made to law enforcement officials, which leads to the identity and criminal charging of the person(s) responsible for the crime. If more than one person provides factual information to law enforcement officials, which leads to the identity and criminal charging of the person(s) responsible for the crime, the reward will be paid to the person who provides information to law enforcement officials first, as determined in official documents of the homicide investigation. The Police Chief shall determine the right to receive the award, based on the foregoing.

2. The City Council of the City of San Leandro approves of the appropriation of General Fund economic uncertainty reserves to General Fund account # 010-14-015-5890 to fund the \$25,000 reward.