AGENDA ITEM ABSTRACT MEETING DATE: October 20, 2009

TITLE: A Request to Approve a Budget Amendment

DEPARTMENT: Police Department	PUBLIC HEARING: YES NO _x_
ATTACHMENTS: A. Budget Amendment	FOR INFORMATION CONTACT: Carolyn Hutchison, Police Chief 918-7412 Sandra Svoboda, Management Services 918-7301

PURPOSE:

The Carrboro Police Department is receiving \$8,663 in grant revenues from the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program as part of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act for the purchase of tactical vests and ceramic inserts for the vests, to be worn by members of the Department's Critical Incident Unit (CIU). The Board is requested to approve a budget amendment to account for these revenues and expenditures.

INFORMATION:

The Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistant Grant (JAG) Program is the primary provider of federal criminal justice funding to state and local jurisdictions. The JAG funds support all components of the criminal justice systems, from multijurisdictional drug and gang task forces to crime prevention and domestic violence programs, courts, corrections, treatment, and justice information sharing initiatives. JAG funded projects may address crime through the provision of services directly to individuals and /or communities and by improving the effectiveness and efficiency of criminal justice systems, processes, and procedures.

The Carrboro Police Department will purchase tactical vests and ceramic inserts for the vests for members of the CIU, who provide tactical response to critical incidents.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Grant revenues offset the costs incurred by the Town.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Approve budget amendment as requested.