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WHEREAS, The City Attorney's Office, Criminal Division, received authorization via RES 23-397 to apply for a grant from the Minnesota Department of Public Safety, Office of Justice Programs through the Crime Victim Services grant program for the purpose of ensuring crime victims' rights are upheld, increasing victims' safety, and ensuring that victims' services are relevant to the population that exists within the community, and

WHEREAS, the Minnesota Department of Public Safety, Office of Justice Programs has awarded \$139,767 to the St. Paul City Attorney's Office through this grant program, and

WHEREAS, this grant will assist the City Attorney's Office in funding a Victim Witness Coordinator and a Victim Outreach Assistant, both of which are currently funded by a grant which is set to expire on September 30, 2023, and

WHEREAS, the City Attorney's Office currently receives Victim Services funding from an Office of Justice Programs Crime Victim Services grant for the period of October 1, 2021, to September 30, 2023, and the newly-awarded grant period will be October 1, 2023, to September 30, 2024, and

WHEREAS, the St. Paul City Attorney's Office, Criminal Division, relies heavily on the work of our Victim/Witness Coordinator and Assistant to provide services to crime victims and uphold statutory mandates

in Minn. Stat. 611A (Crime Victims' Rights) as well as ensuring underserved communities are able to access these services, and

WHEREAS, we recognize that crime victim services offered by the City Attorney's Office benefit the citizens of the City of St. Paul, and

WHEREAS, this award does not include a matching funds requirement, and

WHEREAS, authorization to apply for these grants was provided in RES 23-397, passed on March 15 2023; and

WHEREAS, the 2023 financing and spending plans need to be amended and activity budget added for these funds; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor, pursuant to Section 10.07.1 of the Charter of the City of Saint Paul, does certify that there are available for appropriation total revenues in excess of those estimated in the budget, funds of \$139,767 in the Grant Fund; now

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE City Council accepts this grant.