



City of Blaine Anoka County, Minnesota

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AAA TRAFFIC SAFETY MINI GRANT AWARD

Every year AAA-The Auto Club Group MN-IA (Minnesota-Iowa), gives away mini grants for traffic safety initiatives. Activities that would qualify include those addressing teen drivers; older/senior drivers; distracted driving; substance-impaired driving; school-zone safety; and priorities identified under state traffic safety plans. Monies cannot be used to fund staff or speaker fees.

The Blaine Police Department applied for and was awarded the AAA Traffic Safety Mini Grant for 2020-2021 in the amount of \$1,600. This grant will be used to purchase new software for the JAMAR Tech RADAR system. This software enables the police department to monitor traffic volumes, speeds, direction, and time of day. The new software can analyze the data collected from the RADAR systems and determine where the police department assets can be effectively deployed. This will ensure a more efficient use of police resources to make our roadways safer for the citizens of Blaine.

Meredith Terpstra from AAA-The Auto Club Group MN-IA will present the AAA Mini Grant to the City Council.

By motion, adopt the following resolution to accept the AAA Mini Grant for 2020-2021.

WHEREAS, the AAA-The Auto Club Group MN-IA has approved a grant for the City of Blaine Police Department.

WHEREAS, the AAA Mini Grant will address traffic safety issues including those involving teen drivers; older/senior drivers; distracted driving; substance-impaired driving; school-zone safety; and priorities identified under state traffic safety plans.

WHEREAS, the City of Blaine would like to do their part in helping to identify traffic safety concerns to determine where the police departments resources can be effectively deployed.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Blaine City Council hereby accepts the grant from AAA-The Auto Club Group MN-IA for \$1,600 to be used for the purchase of new software for the JAMAR Tech RADAR system.

PASSED by the City Council of the City of Blaine this 20th day of January, 2021.