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Attached is the transmittal letter & packet.

Thank you,

Si Yu'os Ma'åse!

June M Aflague

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July 2, 2020

The Honorable Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero
Maga'hâga
Governor's Complex
Adelup, Guam 96910
(via email: centralfiles@guam.gov)

REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

Hafa Adai! Attached is the Guam Public Library Systems (GPLS) Board of Director packet for the board meeting of July 1, 2020.

Copies of the board packet are also being provided to the Speaker of the 35th Guam Legislature, and to the office of the Public Auditor along with a CD audio recording of the meeting.

Should you have any questions, or require additional information I can be contacted at 300-9299 or email me at r.arlene.santos@guam.gov.

R. Arlene Santos, Acting

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Guam Public Library System Board of Directors
Regular Board Meeting – Wednesday, July 1, 2020
3:30 p.m.

AGENDA

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - MEETING OF FEBRUARY 13, 2020 AND MARCH 12, 2020

IV. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

V. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

a) GPLS STATUS FOR RE-OPENING
b) AMERICORPS VARO
c) GPLS ASSISTANCE: DEPARTMENT OF LABOR-PANDEMIC UNEMPLOYMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (DOL-PUA)
d) UPDATE OF FINES AND FEE SCHEDULE
e) FEDERAL FUNDS RECEIVED FROM COVID CARES GRANT
f) FY 2021 BUDGET
g) BOARD MEMBERSHIP UPDATE
h) OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

VI. OLD BUSINESS

VII. NEW BUSINESS

a) Community Outreach Initiative

VIII. OPEN DISCUSSION

IX. NEXT BOARD MEETING _____

X. ADJOURNMENT

GUAM PUBLIC LIBRARY SYSTEM (GPLS) BOARD MEETING MINUTES
HAGATNA LIBRARY STUDY ROOM, 1ST FLOOR
THURSDAY, MARCH 12, 2020 ■ 3:30 PM

I. CALL TO ORDER. Board meeting of the Guam Public Library System (GPLS) held on March 12, 2020, was called to order at 3:35 p.m., by Vice Chairman, Mr. Krishnan Seerengan in the GPLS Study room at the Hagatna library.

1. **Roll Call.** **Members Present:** Mr. Krishnan Seerengan, Vice Chairman; Mr. Nolan Flores, Secretary/Treasurer; Mr. William Sarmiento, Member; Ms. Marissa Mears, Member; Ms. Nicole Nelson, Member
   Absent Member: Mr. Kyle Mandapat, Chairman
   Others in attendance: R. Arlene Santos, Acting Director (GPLS)

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – MEETING OF DECEMBER 18, 2019

MOTION

MOTION MADE BY MARISSA MEARS, AND SECONDED BY NOLAN FLORES, THAT THE BOARD APPROVE THE MEETING MINUTES OF DECEMBER 18, 2019.
NONE OPPOSED, MOTION CARRIED.
(Voting: 5 ayes, 0 nays)

III. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT
No report provided.

MEMBER, KRISHNAN SEERENGAN requests to have items added onto the agenda. Those items are 1) FY2020 & FY2021 budget, 2) Expenditures to date, 3) Data for the extended hours of operation, 4) Technician II report for operations and statistics

MOTION

MOTION MADE BY NOLAN FLORES, AND SECONDED BY WILLIAM SARMIENTO, THAT THE BOARD APPROVE THE ITEMS TO ADD ONTO THE AGENDA
NONE OPPOSED, MOTION CARRIED.
(Voting: 5 ayes, 0 nays)

Doc. No. 35GL-20-1966.*

IV. **DIRECTOR'S REPORT.** Director reporting on the following:

a) Appointment of Nan "William" Li is on March 17, 2020 at 3:30 pm at the Guam Congress Building
b) GPLS Events: Summer Reading Program, Book sale flyer, Rosetta Stone flyer, GPLS February Newsletter
c) AmeriCorps. MOA recently signed. There is a total of (24) volunteers that will be helping with the programming to enhance and advance programs at GPLS. An office has been provided to them. Volunteers come in depending on their schedule and assignments. AmeriCorps are also looking at a mentoring program, and conducting GED and Computer programs. Volunteers are only allowed to assist with programs.
d) Meeting with Department of Labor (DOL) next week in possibly getting assistance with a labor program for the senior citizens. With the shortage of staff, these individuals can assist library staff.
e) Meeting with oversight chair Senator Nelson for the 2021 budget. Senators office recommends GPLS make a presentation to the chair who oversees governmental operations. Invited Nolan to present on behalf of the library on what the needs are.

MEMBER, NOLAN FLORES briefly explains the budget presentation he has put together. He opens the invitation for anyone else that would like to present with him. Presentation is not final, and he is open for any suggestions. In the event, the senators call for the budget hearing, they have a budget ready to present. Ask members to approve the budget, pending any technical changes/corrections that need to be made. Otherwise, is giving a due date NLT Monday, March 16th, for any final submissions.

MEMBER, KRISHNAN SEERANGAN explains for the record, his only concern is making sure there is funding to hire a qualified Director. We need to follow the law.

MOTION

MOTION MADE BY NOLAN FLORES, AND SECONDED BY WILLIAM SARMIENTO, THAT THE BOARD APPROVE THE FY20201 BUDGET PRESENTATION, PENDING ANY TECHNICAL CHANGES/CORRECTION THAT ARE TO BE MADE
NONE OPPOSED, MOTION CARRIED.
(Voting: 5 ayes, 0 nays)

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f) Concerns with Management. Director understands there are concerns regarding complaints about her that have been brought up to the board, and that she has not been given the opportunity to at least know what they are, and for her to answer to them. Director states the approach the board took was wrong, as they did not follow protocol, and went directly to the media.

MEMBER, KRISHNAN SEERANGAN informs Director it was the staff that reached out to them, and it is the board who is responsible to the staff. The board wanted to immediately address their concerns. Goes on to say, the employees are free to meet with the board. What they want to avoid is any of the staff filing grievances with the Civil Service Commission. He says employees are crying and hurting, and are afraid of retaliation.

MEMBER, NICOLE NELSON agrees that protocol was not followed and the board should've brought the concerns up to the Director, instead of approaching the employees.

MEMBER, MARISSA MEARS states the staff approached them, and they did not want to turn them away.

MEMBER, NOLAN FLORES suggests they go into executive session because it is a personnel matter.

MOTION

MOTION MADE BY NOLAN FLORES, AND SECONDED BY NICOLE NELSON, THAT THE BOARD IMMEDIATELY GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS PERSONNEL MATTERS NONE OPPOSED, MOTION CARRIED.
(Voting: 5 ayes, 0 nays)

(meeting time 1 hr and 6 minutes right before executive session)

EXECUTIVE SESSION BEGINS

RECORDING STOPS

RESUME REGULAR BOARD MEETING

(continuation of agenda)

g) Yona branch electrical issues. Branch is currently closed until the electrical repairs are resolved.

V. OLD BUSINESS
Items located in the Drop Box (GPLS board manual, GCA on boards and commissions, GPLS Statute)

VI. NEW BUSINESS
Director advises that all GPLS branches will resume back to regular operating hours from 9-6pm. There will no longer be evening hours for both the Hagatna library and the Archival Center. The statistics are reporting low numbers and the current budget does not allow for it.

VII. NEXT BOARD MEETING
Thursday, April 16, 2020

VIII. ADJOURNMENT. A motion was made to adjourn the meeting, as follows:

MOTION

IT WAS MOVED BY MEMBER NICOLE NELSON, SECONDED BY MEMBER, NOLAN FLORES, THAT THE MEETING OF MARCH 12, 2020 BE ADJOURNED. NONE OPPOSED. MOTION CARRIED.
(Voting: 5 ayes, 0 nays)

SUBMITTED BY:

JUNE M. AFLAGUE
Administrative Assistant (GPLS)

ATTESTED BY:

Approved via Zoom meeting 7-1-2020
NOLAN FLORES
Secretary/Treasurer

APPROVED BY:

Approved via Zoom meeting 7-1-2020
KYLE MANDAPAT
Chairperson

GUAM PUBLIC LIBRARY SYSTEM (GPLS) SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
HAGATNA LIBRARY STUDY ROOM, 1st FLOOR
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2020 ■ 3:30 PM

I. **CALL TO ORDER.** This special meeting of the Guam Public Library System (GPLS) held on February 13, 2020, was called to order at 3:38 p.m., by Chairman Kyle Mandapat in the GPLS Study room at the Hagatna library.

1. **Roll Call.** **Members Present:** Mr. Kyle Mandapat, Chairman; Mr. Krishnan Seerengan, Vice Chairperson; Mr. Nolan Flores, Secretary/Treasurer; Mr. William Sarmiento, Member; Ms. Marissa Mears, Member; Ms. Nicole Nelson, Member; **Others in attendance:** R. Arlene Santos, Acting Director (GPLS)

II. **AGENDA ITEM: MARKETING**

Chairman Kyle Mandapat
Would like everyone's input, suggestions and idea's on coming up with a plan to market GPLS. More exposure must be done for the library. Though there have been big improvements in the last several months by the staff, would like to think of ways to get more investment from the community. So many different platforms out there to reach the community on social media. GPLS is not doing enough on social media and asks if there are any laws with GovGuam that may prevent us from doing so.
Mr. Mandapat also mentions that we should begin fundraising efforts. He would like to begin a pledge from community partners.

Nicole Nelson
There are no laws to an agency or department prohibiting them from having a social media platform as long as it's done in good taste. There should also be a limit to the number of individuals that can post to the media page.

Nolan Flores
GPLS can sponsor a non-profit for a day.

Krishnan Seerengan
Must recruit people from the community to begin a Friends of the Library.

William Sarmiento
Hold special events so parents and their children can get involved. Another great idea is to have tutoring classes.

R. Arlene Santos
Advises members Government of Guam employees are not allowed to solicit, therefore it must be handled by the board. They would also need to begin with a name for the non-profit organization, and would need to look for members in the community who would be interested.

MOTION

BOARD CHAIR GIVES THE APPROVAL TO BEGIN THE GPLS FACEBOOK PAGE AND FOR KRIS SEERENGAN TO TAKE THE LEAD WITH THE FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY.

III. ADJOURNMENT. A motion was made to adjourn the meeting, as follows:

MOTION

IT WAS MOVED BY MEMBER KYLE MANDAPAT, SECONDED BY MEMBER, NOLAN FLORES, THAT THE MEETING OF FEBRUARY 13, 2020, BE ADJOURNED AT 5:05 PM. NONE OPPOSED. MOTION CARRIED. (Voting: 6 ayes, 0 nays)

SUBMITTED BY:

JUNE M. AFLAGUE
Administrative Assistant (GPLS)

ATTESTED BY:

Approved via Zoom meeting 7-1-2020
NOLAN FLORES
Secretary/Treasurer

APPROVED BY:

Approved via Zoom meeting 7-1-2020
KYLE MANDAPAT
Chairperson

June Aflague

From: Nolan Flores <ngtflores@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, June 24, 2020 10:31 AM
To: June Aflague
Subject: Re: MEETING MINUTES FOR FEB 13 & MARCH 12, 2020
Attachments: GPLS MEETING MINUTES FEB 13, 2020 - FINAL.docx; GPLS MEETING MINUTES MARCH 12, 2020.docx

Here you go! I made some edits with the track changes feature.

I give my approval pending the edits.

Na'tungo' yu' yanggen guaha otro na nisisita.
si Yu'os ma'åse'.

On Tue, Jun 23, 2020 at 8:45 PM Nolan Flores <ngtflores@gmail.com> wrote:
si Yu'os ma'åse', Ms. June. Hågu mås. I'll review this and get it back to you ASAP.

On Tue, Jun 23, 2020 at 8:14 PM June Aflague <June.Aflague@guampls.guam.gov> wrote:

> Hi Nolan!
>
> It was really nice seeing you today.
>
> Attached are the meeting minutes. Reminder....we had (2) meetings.
>
> 1. Special meeting on Feb 13, 2020. I did not prepare this on time to present at the last meeting for your review and approval.
>
> 2. Regular board meeting on March 12, 2020.
>
> The minutes i did present at this meeting was for our very first meeting held on Dec 18, 2019, which you did approve via email & signed the meeting minutes. I'm sorry I don't have a copy of that right now. I will find the email & forward it to you in case you don't remember.
>
> Can you review and approve if ok to proceed so I can send to members before upcoming July 1st mtg.

> My apologies for making you wait.
>
> Thank you,
>
> June

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si Nolan G.T. Flores
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Additional cards for authorized family members	$0.75 ea
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(LOAN PERIODS, LIMITS, FINES & CHARGES FOR GPLS CARDHOLDERS)

ITEM	LOAN	LIMIT PER PERIOD	TIMES TO RENEW	DAILY FINE	MAXI-MUM FINE
Books	21 days	6	2	$.25 per item	$20
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Federal Grants

Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS)

Grant Period	Amount of Award	Balance	Type of Grant
10-1-2018 to 9-30-2020	$124,712.00	$35,121.24	FY 2019 State Grant
8-1-2019 to 9-30-2020	$38,001.00	$6,995.96	FY 2019 Competitive Grant

Grand Total:	**$162,713.00**	**$42,117.20**

Guam CARES ACT State Grant - IMLS

Grant Period	Amount of Award	Balance	Type of Grant
4-21-2020 to 9-30-2021	$15,224.00	$10,224.00	CARES ACT State Grant

COVID-19 Relief Fund - GPLS

3-1-2020 to 12-30-2020	$35,540.00	$10,705.72	CARES ACT (COVID-19)

CARES ACT TOTAL:	**$50,764.00**	**$20,929.72**

Grand Total for Grants: **$213,477.00** **$63,046.92**

THE GUAM PUBLIC LIBRARY SYSTEM
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING ATTENDANCE
Date of Meeting: July 1, 2020, 3:30 pm

NAME	SIGNATURE
Mandapat, Kyle Board Chairman	Via Zoom
Nolan Flores Secretary/Treasurer	Via Zoom
Mears, Marissa Member at Large	Via Zoom
Nicole Nelson Information Technology	Via Zoom
William Sarmiento Administrator/Teacher	absent
R. Arlene Santos Acting Director	Via Zoom
Nan "William" Li	pending confirmation
Sandra M. Stanley Administrative Officer	Sandra Stanley via Zoom
June M. Aflague Administrative Assistant	Via Zoom

Public Sign-in.

California includes tax breaks for undocumented families

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (Tribune News Service) — Undocumented immigrants with young children will now have a chance to get two tax breaks in the California budget now headed to Gov. Gavin Newsom for his expected signature.

The tax credits will be available to eligible California workers with Individual Tax Identification Numbers and at least one child under the age of 6. Currently, the California Earned Income Tax and Young Child Tax credits are available only to eligible California workers with Social Security Numbers.

Alissa Anderson, a policy analyst at the California Budget & Policy Center, said the budget provision is the first time the Senate, Assembly and governor have agreed to include the tax break for ITIN filers.

She credits the "growing momentum" from some California mayors, legislators, legislative caucuses and years of work from advocacy groups that made the tax breaks possible during a year in which the state budget faced a $54 billion deficit.

It's possible the pandemic also played a role, she said.

"We have existing inequities in California, and the COVID crisis has just amplified those," Anderson said. "We know that immigrants have been hit especially hard by the economic crisis. This crisis is really highlighting that there's no time for inequitable policies."



GAME CHANGER: *California Gov. Gavin Newsom speaks in front of the hospital ship USNS Mercy that arrived into the Port of Los Angeles on March 27, 2020, to provide relief for hospitals overwhelmed by the coronavirus pandemic. Carolyn Cole/Los Angeles Times/Tribune News Service*

Republican Assemblyman Jay Obernolte of Big Bear Lake spoke against the proposal on Friday.

"I wish more of us were talking about the costs involved in this program," he said. "This would be better done in a future year, especially when we are facing a $54 billion deficit."

Expanding the earned income tax credit would cost $65 million, according to the state Legislative Analyst.

Noncitizen immigrants without Social Security Numbers were left out of federal stimulus packages and don't qualify for unemployment insurance benefits. In April, Newsom announced an effort to provide disaster relief assistance to 150,000 undocumented Californians.

The tax breaks would benefit an estimated 32,000 to 46,000 families. Families with children over the age of 6 are excluded from the tax breaks, Anderson said.

A California Budget and Policy Center report notes that undocumented immigrants pay an estimated $3.2 billion in state and local taxes yearly in California. About $157.9 million of that is personal income tax.

"It's a really big step, especially during a time of budget deficit," said Sasha Feldstein, economic justice policy manager at the California Immigrant Policy Center. "Unfortunately, this is nowhere near enough."

Feldstein said the tax expansion leaves out the majority of ITIN filers and continues to create economic disparities among them.

Many immigrant workers are on the front lines of the pandemic, she said, yet aren't eligible for unemployment insurance and federal stimulus payments.

"They've been left with nothing while they're continuing to be deemed essential," Feldstein said.

She said the organization will continue fighting until every ITIN filer is eligible for the California Earned Income Tax Credit.

Trump backs suit against Obamacare; 23M could be affected

(Tribune News Service) – President Donald Trump on Saturday strongly backed a lawsuit that would overturn the Affordable Care Act and strip about 23 million Americans of health insurance coverage during the coronavirus pandemic.

Branding the signature achievement of President Barack Obama as "a joke," Trump said the Supreme Court should agree with the White House and GOP governors argument that it is illegal because Congress eliminated the penalty for Americans who refuse to get health insurance.

"It can be replaced with a FAR BETTER AND MUCH LESS EXPENSIVE ALTERNATIVE," Trump tweeted.

Trump claimed that he would "ALWAYS, ALWAYS" protect "preexisting conditions." But the requirement that insurance companies accept people with preexisting would be eliminated if the court does what he wants and strikes down Obamacare.

Despite a decade of fierce denunciations of Obamacare, neither Trump nor Republican lawmakers have ever settled on a plan to replace it.

The outburst came after Solicitor General Noel Francisco filed an unusual Thursday night brief backing the complicated legal push by Republican states to end Obamacare, which provides insurance for those who cannot obtain private coverage.

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GUAM ELECTION COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING
The Guam Election Commission has scheduled its monthly meeting for **Friday, July 3, 2020** at **12:00 p.m.**, at the Guam Election Commission Conference Room 200, 414 W. Soledad Ave., GCIC Building, Hagåtña, Guam.

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Senators question $85K leases for 2 vehicles

An $85,000 line item in the Guam Police Department's fiscal 2021 budget proposal for vehicle leases had a few senators raising their eyebrows during Tuesday's budget hearing.

Sen. Régine Biscoe Lee inquired what the leases were for and whether the $85,000 line item was for a single vehicle or a fleet of vehicles.

"It's the vehicle lease for vehicles being used for the governor and lieutenant governor," said Virginia Manglona, GPD's administrative services officer.

"It's for two Yukons, those really high-end SUVs," explained Maj. Manny Chong, acting police commander.

Chong confirmed the $85,000 was a line item the department had used in the past.

Sen. Joe San Agustin said he wanted to take a closer look at the $85,000 contract.

"I'd like that to go to help the police officers and maybe shift that to the governor's budget," said San Agustin. "The police officers are already on duty. You don't need to provide everything else. We need to share the wealth."

Manglona also told lawmakers the department has a pending purchase order for 12 new police vehicles that are expected to be ready to hit the streets next year.

Senators also questioned a request for an additional $60,000 in rental costs. Sen. Therese Terlaje inquired if the department's management anticipated increases in leases due to the requested increase for the upcoming fiscal year budget.

Manglona didn't answer the question directly but did explain the administrative division of the department recently moved to Hakubotan, where the department pays $25,000 a month in rent.

She said the rental cost is split with the Recreational Boating Safety division of the department.

A lease with ITC that currently houses the department's Records & ID section will be up for renewal in August and an invitation for bid will be issued also in August.

Another lease for the Evidence Control Section, currently located on Bello Road, will expire at the end of the month and be put on a month-to-month contract until a new IFB is issued, said Manglona.

The department received funding from the Department of the Interior to build an Evidence Control Section in Yigo. ***(Daily Post Staff)***

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and the hotel. However, it was discovered they had gone out to various local businesses.

Aguon said the affected establishments' employees who worked at the times and dates coinciding with the airmen's visits will be screened, interviewed and possibly tested.

Twenty-four establishments eventually were named in a collaborative effort with AAFB.

"With the ongoing partnership with the military, we were given additional listings," Aguon said Tuesday evening. "We can't confirm which establishments we are dealing with because we do have other cases apart from this military cluster."

She wanted to emphasize there are other contact tracing efforts underway as there have been other positive cases identified recently, including one person whose nature of being exposed to COVID-19 hasn't been determined, according to a Joint Information Center news release.

"This is not exclusive to this military cluster," she said.

Two additional Air Force service members tested positive for COVID-19 on Guam while they were part of a medical team helping out at Naval Hospital Guam, but they did not have contact with the airmen who were housed at the Guam Reef.

All 37 airmen are in isolation on the air base, the 36th Wing has previously confirmed.

Failure to wear mask could lead to misdemeanor fine

In light of the island's reopening and easing of restrictions, DPHSS announced that failure to wear masks and adhere to social distancing and Public Health policies could be deemed a "public nuisance." It is defined in Title 10 Guam Code Annotated, Chapter 20, as "anything that is determined by the director to be dangerous to life, injurious to health or renders soil, air, water, or food impure or unwholesome."

Any person or business that fails to follow executive orders and/or Public Health guidance shall be deemed a public nuisance, which is considered a misdemeanor violation if found guilty, the DPHSS memo states.

Aguon said as restrictions are lifted, locally and regionally, local residents need to take the necessary precautions, "especially if you have a high-risk medical condition or if you have an individual at home that has a high-risk medical condition, or elderly."

She reiterated that keeping the number of coronavirus cases low is "a community effort."

"We do have flights coming in ... COVID is still going around the world – they're seeing increases in cases in the U.S.," she said. "Be aware of your surroundings. Take the necessary precautions to reduce the spread or exposure as things start to open up more; restaurants ... travel, there's always that risk of importing another case and being exposed."

As of Tuesday's tests, Guam has a total of 225 confirmed cases since March. There have been five deaths and 174 people have been released from isolation, the JIC press release stated. There are 46 active cases.

Of those cases, 183 are classified as civilians, and 42 are military service members – 35 of whom have been recently identified among a unit deployed to Andersen Air Force Base, according to the JIC midday report.

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death investigation, Tapao said.

A pathologist will determine the cause of death after an autopsy, and the case's classification can change based on that finding.

Quiet neighborhood

Agana Heights Mayor Paul McDonald said the shooting came as a surprise because the residential area has been known to be a quiet part of the village. Former Gov. Carl Gutierrez's residence is about 200 yards away.

The mayor said he had no information on the shooting.

The house where police conducted the investigation is a rental property and the renter had not registered with the mayor's office, he said.

McDonald said the owner of the property does not live in the area.

The village has close to 4,000 residents.

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The website includes a list of awardees for 2020 ranging from the town of Elk Garden in West Virginia, which was awarded $50,380 for one police officer, to $9.7 million for the Milwaukee Police Department for 30 officers.

Guam State Clearinghouse confirmed GPD didn't submit a grant for 2020 and referred questions on why the application wasn't sent to GPD. Stephanie Flores, GSC administrator, said her office did send reminders to GPD to submit the application. GSC assists agencies with federal grants, while also looking out for grants that support the priorities of the administration. It is the responsibility of the agency to submit their grants.

GPD's initial response was specific to the 2017 COPS Hiring Grant: "(On) May 2019 we recruited and filled all 15 positions; however, three (police officer trainees) resigned between May 2019 and February 2020 in which we are in the process of filling. GPD will be submitting a no-cost extension request online by July 2020."

With respect to the 2020 grant, Sgt. Paul Tapao sent an updated response a few days later: "For COPS '20, due to shortage of personnel, GPD was not able to obtain all required signatures to meet the deadline. However, should the COPS grant be available for 2021, GPD will submit interest in pursuing the grant available."

GPD has 299 officers. Police Chief Stephen Ignacio has noted the public safety agency should have at least 400 officers, though a full complement would be closer to 520 for Guam's population.

According to the DOJ website, grant recipients may request a no-cost extension to receive additional time to implement the grant program. "These extensions do not provide additional funding," the site states. "Only those grantees that can provide a reasonable justification for delays will be granted no-cost extensions."

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