

RESOLUTION NO. 598

RESOLUTION OF THE CORPORATE AUTHORITIES OF THE
CITY OF SUMNER, ILLINOIS ADOPTING A POLICY
ON THE PROHIBITION OF THE USE OF EXCESSIVE FORCE

WHEREAS, the City of Sumner, Illinois (City) has received federal funding through the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program; and,

WHEREAS, Section 519 of the Department of Veteran Affairs and U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, and Independent Agencies Appropriations Act of 1990 requires that all CDBG recipients adopt and enforce a policy to prohibit the use of excessive force by law enforcement agencies within the recipient's Recipient against any individuals engaged in non-violent civil rights demonstrations; and

WHEREAS, all recipients of CDBG funds are further required to follow a policy of enforcing applicable state and local laws against physically barring entrances or exits to a facility that is the subject of a nonviolent protest demonstration; and

WHEREAS, the City endorses a policy prohibiting the use of excessive force and will inform all law enforcement agencies within its Recipient of this policy,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the City of Sumner, Illinois hereby prohibits any law enforcement agency operating within its Recipient from using excessive force against any individuals engaged in nonviolent civil rights demonstrations. In addition, the City agrees to enforce any applicable state or local laws against physically barring entrances or exits from a facility or location that is the subject of a non-violent protest demonstration. The City further pledges enforcement of this policy within its Recipient and encourages any individual or group who feels that the City has not complied with this policy to file a complaint.

Information and assistance relative to excessive force complaints shall be provided by Rick Lents, Sumner Chief of Police, Sumner Police Department, Sumner City Hall, 129 E. South Ave., Sumner, Illinois 62466, (618) 936-2221.

Adopted by this 4th day of December, 2011.

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0 Absent: 0 Abstain: 0

Approved: Larry B. Stoltz
Larry Stoltz, Mayor

Attest:

Blanche Piper
Blanche Piper, City Clerk